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Feeding Garden Soil With Fall Leaves

In this article by Jessica Walliser, she gives us ideas on how to put our fall leaves to work feeding our garden soil in some pretty creative ways.

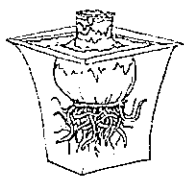


For the complete article visit: <https://savvygardening.com/12-creative-ways-to-use-your-fall-leaves/>

- 1. Build a potato bin:** Essentially, you build a cylindrical wire frame, line it with newspaper, fill with a blend of organic matter and compost, and plant seed potatoes in it. The leaves you rake up this fall are the perfect foundation for the bin; in fact, this is one of my favorite ways to use fall leaves. Build the wire frames right now, put them in place, and begin to fill with leaves. Come spring, the leaves will be partially decomposed; you can toss in some compost, mix it up, and – viola! – instant potato-growing bin! Then, after the potatoes are harvested next summer, all those well-rotted leaves and compost are great for feeding your garden soil.
- 2. Mulch your roses:** Many roses, hybrid teas in particular, require a bit of protection from cold winter temperatures. Surround the base of the plant with a rose collar and fill with shredded leaves to shield the graft union from frosty temps. Then pull the mulch off by early April.
- 3. Feed your lawn:** You might not think of making lawn fertilizer as one of the ways to use fall leaves. Instead of raking them up, use your lawnmower to chop your leaves into tiny bits. It might take two or three passes, but the leaves will be blasted into smithereens in short order. The mower scatters these small leaf fragments across the lawn and prevents them from forming a dense mat. Because they are so small, they'll quickly decompose, feeding the lawn
- 4. Make free mulch:** Fall leaves are rich in many macro- and micronutrients, as well as various trace elements. Use them as a mulch to not only add these nutrients to the soil as the leaves decompose, but also to cut down on weeds and stabilize soil temperatures. To use them as a mulch, shred the leaves first. I put the collection bag on my lawnmower and run them over. When the bag is full, I dump the leaf fragments right on the vegetable garden. If you do this every autumn, you'll be feeding your garden soil a diet rich in organic matter and nutrients.
- 5. Put them "on hold" until spring:** One of the easiest ways to use fall leaves is to make mulches for my tomato patch. It's the combination of newspaper covered with last year's leaves. Before planting tomatoes, I cover the entire garden area with a layer of newspaper, ten sheets thick. Then, I cover the newspaper with last year's leaves. When I'm ready to plant, I cut a small X through the newspaper where I want to plant each of my tomatoes and plant right through it. The mulch helps suppress soil-borne pathogens, and cuts down on watering and weeding.
- 6. Mulch the asparagus bed:** I find that if I mulch it with shredded leaves every autumn, I have less weeds during the growing season. I spread a 2-inch layer of shredded leaves over the bed after we get a few hard frosts. I also cut down the old fronds at that time and toss them onto the compost pile. As the shredded leaves decompose over time, they're constantly feeding the soil.
- 7. Ready your raspberries:** Black and red raspberries thrive when mulched with a two-inch layer of shredded leaves every autumn. The leaves add essential organic matter and nutrients to the soil as they decompose, and they help reduce competition from weeds.

Amaryllis and Paperwhite Planting Guide

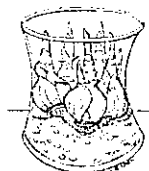
Looking for a way to bring glorious color indoors this winter? Amaryllis and Paperwhite bulbs are great plants that can be enjoyed inside while snow has blanketed your garden. And bonus! We have Paperwhites and 5 different colors of Amaryllis bulbs in our stores!



How to Plant Amaryllis – Amaryllis are stunning flowers in full bloom, and they require very little care. Indoor amaryllis bulbs are planted with 1/3 of the bulb exposed from the soil line. Place the bulb in the pot (paying close attention to not damage the roots), then fill the container with potting soil leaving the top portion exposed. Water the bulb thoroughly and do not water again until the soil is dry. Once a sprout emerges, the plant really

doesn't require much more water; if the plant does need water, a few drops will do. Too much water causes the plant to grow tall and the weight of the flower can cause the plant to tip.

How to Plant Paperwhites – Place paperwhites in a container & anchor them down with pebbles or another medium with their root side down. Fill the water up just below the root line (covering the bulbs in water encourages rot). If using soil, cover the bulbs so the tips are exposed. Water when dry throughout the season, as growing bulbs can dry out quickly.



Both of these bulbs bloom approximately 6–10 weeks after being planted. So, if you want them to bloom at a certain time during the winter follow this chart and **ENJOY!**

PLANTED WEEK OF:	BLOOMS WEEK OF:
November 5.....	December 17
November 12.....	December 24
November 19.....	December 31
December 3.....	January 7
December 10.....	January 21
December 17.....	January 28



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Nov. 11-16th at the Community Health Professionals Bldg. in Ada. This benefits Home Health & Hospice Patient Care Fund. They will have decorated Christmas trees, wreaths and Christmas decorations for silent auction.

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November Garden To Do List

Garden:

✂ If you had unproductive gardens, shrubs or trees this year, gather a soil sample before the ground freezes and take to the local Extension Office for analysis. A soil test will tell you the pH and the critical soil nutrients. Some amendments can be applied yet this fall if needed to correct any serious problems before next year's growing season. **"Don't guess, soil test!"**

- ✂ Mulch strawberry plants with 2" of straw.
- ✂ Cut asparagus to the ground after tops are brown.

Perennials & Annuals

- ✂ Rake leaves and till them under, compost them or use as winter protection for tender plants.
- ✂ Plant spring blooming bulbs until ground freezes.
- ✂ Don't deadhead perennials, biennials and annuals if you want them to self-sow – or shake seed pods around before removing spent plants.

Landscape

- ✂ Continue to plant trees & shrubs into this month and longer as long as the ground doesn't freeze.
- ✂ Clean all fallen fruit from under fruit trees to avoid harboring disease and pests next spring.
- ✂ Winter protect roses with rose collars and mulch.
- ✂ Prune out dead, damaged & diseased wood and suckers & water sprouts in trees & shrubs.

Lawn

- ✂ A November application or fall fertilizer is very beneficial to your lawn.

Miscellaneous

- ✂ Pot up Amaryllis and Paperwhites for holiday blooms.

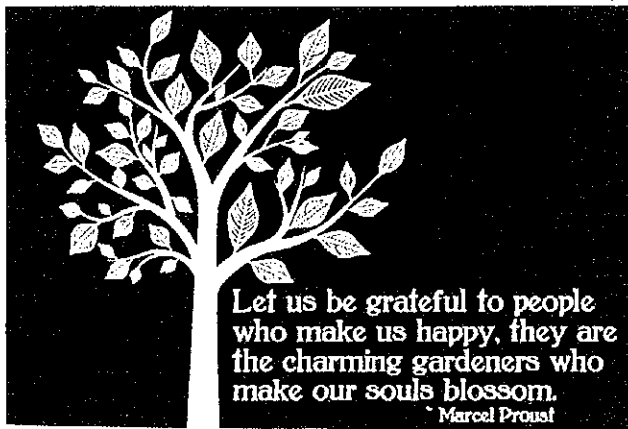
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Refreshments

Browse through our collection of Christmas items from
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Bulk Chocolate Peanut Clusters & other Candies - Decorating & Craft Supplies
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Holiday plants including Poinsettias & Christmas Cactus - Cemetery items

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