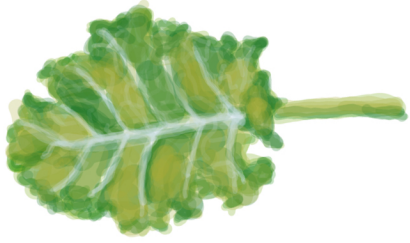
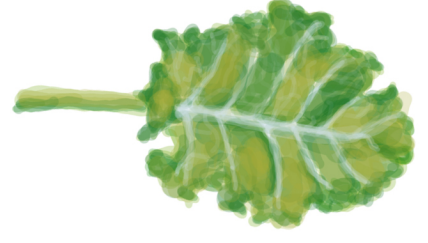


# SEPTEMBER



GARDENING

## TO DO LIST



### VEGETABLES & HERBS

- ☐ plant cool-season vegetables now (cabbage, turnips, kale, mustard, spinach, lettuce, broccoli, collards, carrots, beets)
- ☐ keep seedlings & transplants watered & mulched
- ☐ fertilize weekly
- ☐ plant garlic cloves now through Thanksgiving for harvest in June
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- ☐ harvest storage potatoes (dig up when plants begin to die, lay them on the ground for a few hours, then store them in a cool, dark spot without washing; "cure" sweet potatoes in a warm, dark place for 10-14 days before storing them)
- ☐ harvest onions once tops have withered & allow to dry in a sunny location for 10 days, then store in a cool, dark spot

### SHRUBS & TREES

- ☐ plant new trees & shrubs or move existing ones
- ☐ keep shrubs & trees well watered through first frost to ensure they go into winter hydrated

### WILDLIFE

- ☐ put out bird seed to give migrating birds energy to make their journey

### ANNUALS & PERENNIALS

- ☐ plant fall blooming perennials for late-season color
- ☐ divide spring-blooming perennials, hosta & daylilies & replant using a granular root stimulator
- ☐ amend soil with compost, LeafGro or manure to give plants a head start next year
- ☐ trim dead leaves & stems, but leave those that add interest or provide for wildlife
- ☐ plant mums, pansies & ornamental cabbage & kale
- ☐ plant cool season flowering annuals (such as Snapdragons, Dianthus, Petunias & Calibrachoa (Million Bells)) & ornamental peppers for outstanding color in the garden
- ☐ continue fertilizing annuals

### LAWN

- ☐ overseed, patch or start a new lawn
- ☐ fertilize once this month (& once again in October)
- ☐ apply lime after fertilizing if a soil test indicates it's needed

### HOUSEPLANTS

- ☐ bring houseplants indoors
- ☐ treat with horticultural & neem oils to control aphids, mites, mealy bugs & scale