# April IN YOUR GARDEN

As the cooler months settle in, now is ideal to get your winter vege garden underway, plant your bulbs for spring flowering and establish or repair your lawn.

Brighten up your garden or patio by planting pots and hanging baskets with winter flowering annuals.

#### Flower Garden

Autumn is the best time to plant new trees and shrubs so they can get established over the cooler, wetter winter months.



Remove spent summer flowering annuals and plant your favourite winter flowers. For best results prepare the soil by digging in Garden X Compost, and Sheep Pellets or Poultry Compost.



Plant Primulas, Cinerarias, Mini Cyclamen, Nemesias, Iceland Poppies, Calendula, Pansies, Violas, Polyanthus, Snapdragon and Hollyhock. Plant Sweetpeas now in a sunny spot for spring and summer flowering



Sow seeds of Aquilegia, Alyssum, Calendula, Cineraria, Cornflower, Dianthus, English Daisy, Godetia, Linaria, Livingstone Daisy, Lobelia, Lupin, Nemesia, Snapdragon, Statice and Viola.

There's still time to get your spring bulbs planted. We have all your favourites in store along with specialist bulb food and bulb mix.



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#### Garden Tasks

Trim back all summer perennials when flowering has finished. These can be dug up, divided and replanted, or just wait for them to resprout back in spring.



Prune back flowering shrubs like Hydrangea and Hebe that have finished flowering.

Dead head established roses and start planning for your new season roses. These will begin arriving in late May so prepare new planting sites now, with Palmers Garden X Compost.



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Refresh your herb garden with Parsley, winter Mint, Chives, Rosemary and other winter herbs from Palmers seasonal range.

### Edible Garden

Once all fruit trees are harvested, spray pip and stone fruit trees with Free Flow Copper to protect against leaf curl, leaf blight, leaf spots, downy mildew, black spot and verrucosis.

Harvest the last of your late summer veges -Pumpkins, Marrows, Potatoes and Onions and store them in a cool dry place.

Giving your vege patch a rest over winter? Add nutrients back in to the soil by sowing a crop of blue lupin or mustard seed which adds nitrogen and improves soil structure.

Feed citrus trees with Tui Citrus Food to promote strong healthy autumn growth.

A raised vegetable bed in winter helps with drainage and can also improve growth as soil in raised beds warms with the winter sun. A layer of mulch will also help keep soil temperatures warm.



Lawns

Transplant winter seedlings or sow seeds of Beetroot, Broccoli, Broad Beans, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Carrots, Onions, Radish, Spinach, Swedes and Turnips directly into your garden bed.



This is the best month for sowing a new lawn or repairing your existing. We have a great range of lawn seed from hardwearing for playgrounds to easy care



Mix in Saturaid with your lawn seed and spread over the area, this will improve water penetration through the soil and reduce dry patches.



All our plants are of the highest quality, but if something fails to grow in your garden, we'll simply replace it for you – that's our Palmers Promise.

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