



Through the Garden Window



Designing the Scenery of Your Life

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Secrets to Xeriscaping

The term Xeriscaping comes from the greek word Xeros meaning dry. Xeriscaping has come a long way since the days of white gravel and junipers. Stunning, easy-care landscapes are possible when following simple rules. Xeriscaping uses drought tolerant or native plants to create a natural garden environment that requires less water and care to maintain. Here are some basic secrets to success.

- ◆ Use plants from the same plant community with similar water requirements.
- ◆ Use a few boulders right up next to the plants to protect them and keep the roots cool without creating crown rot.
- ◆ When plating NATIVE do not add soil amendments to the soil and never fertilize your natural garden.
- ◆ Don't plant any deeper than the original container.
- ◆ Once planted, water you new plant regularly until established.
- ◆ Mimic the natural rainfall cycle with irrigation timing on MATURE natives. They don't need daily or weekly watering.



Not only will you like WHAT we do, you will like HOW we do it.

Get Rid of Your Weeds For Months!

OK, so you've got a yard full of weeds! Where did they all come from?! Most of the weeds you see this spring are annual weeds growing from seeds remaining in the soil produced from blooming weeds the previous year.

More weeds, more seeds, it just snowballs! Get on a weed prevention program. A twice-yearly pre-emergent application can break the cycle and give you relief from summer weeding chores.



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Pre-emergents are chemical products that prevent weeds from popping up through the soil. They can be used in combination with weed killers when the weeds have already started coming up through the soil and rock. Pre-emergents need to be watered in to be effective. That's why the optimal time is in the rainy period. If you miss the rainy period, then you will have to water the sprayed area one time equal to 1/2 inch of rain. A pre-emergent application can keep most weeds from coming back for months and months!

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Get Ready for Hot Weather

OK folks, your free ride from all the recent rains is over. You will have to start up the irrigation system NOW. Can you say Sca-ching! \$?

The soil moisture is really depleted from the warmer temps we have had lately, and with no rain on the horizon, you better get crackin on tweaking up the sprinkler clock.

I would recommend in our little High Desert Valley to be watering the planters and shrubs once to a couple of times a week for established plants and maybe a couple of times a week for the lawns. For NOW.

Remember to check your drip emitters on your plants to see that they are working properly. Replace them if they are clogged or broken.

Clean the Drip Y-Filter out. (See picture below) Just un-screw it in the center, remove the filter screen inside, and wash it out and re-assemble snugly. Don't loose the gasket! Oh yeah, make sure you do this when the valve is not operating or you will get quite wet!



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Time to fertilize!



16-6-8

What do those Numbers on the bag of fertilizer mean?

Ever notice the 3 number combination (such as 16-6-8) on a bag of fertilizer and wonder what they mean? Here's the 411!

The 16 in the above example represents the N or nitrogen. Nitrogen is needed for the synthesis of proteins, chlorophyll and enzymes to produce green leaves and growth.

The 6 in the above example stands for P or phosphorus. It promotes flowering and root growth.

The 8 stands for K or Potassium and is needed to make plants sturdy and reduces resistance to disease, heat and cold. (Great for spring and fall applications)

The soil here in the High Desert is really lacking in nitrogen. I suggest fertilizing lawns once a month in the growing season and shrubs about 3 times a year, early spring, late spring, and fall. Use fertilizers with part of the nitrogen as a slow release. The fertilizer will not give the growth surge common with other kinds of fertilizer and the green will last longer.

Now you know!

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What Our Customers Say...

"Re-landscaping my front yard is one of the most important investments I have made in my home. Finding a reputable professional and honest landscaping company was my goal from the start. How grateful I am to have found Perfection Landscape! Never have I worked with a company that so embodied it's name. From the beginning vision of the finished yard through the constant attention to detail and high standards while the work was going on, to the end product which is exactly what I'd hoped for, the high quality of and the pride you take in your work were always evident. I especially value your honesty and integrity: you kept in touch with me throughout the completion of the job and the virtual photos you designed for me have become a reality.

The old saying is true - you get what you pay for. This was a major investment for me and it was money well spent. I got what I paid for and it was worth every penny. The words "thank you" seem so inadequate. My backyard is next!. Til then, I will continue to sing your praises and recommend you every chance I get."

Nancy Piersall



Coming next issue: Is your home a Plant Hospice? Are you always taking your plants home to die? Learn 10 tips to successful growing!