

The Master Gardener's Corner

Things to do in your garden each month, taken from the Ontario Master Gardener Calendar by John Hethrington, Past President, Master Gardeners of Ontario. For more information, call 519-599-5846.

Things to do in your garden in – March 2021

- Start tuberous begonias & caladiums in pots.
- Plant brassicas (cabbage family) seeds and hardy annuals for April-May planting.
- Start tomatoes, lettuce and other fast growers from seed in late March to early April.
- Order summer flowering bulbs.
- Order/buy seeds for summer planting NOW!
It is reported that they will be in short supply this year.
- Check, repair and sharpen gardening tools.
- Apply combination dormant oil spray to fruit trees & pest-prone shrubs when above-freezing weather permits.
- Bring Spring indoors. Start forcing branches of spring-flowering shrubs like Forsythia.
- Prune summer-flowering shrubs and vines.
- Loosen up packed winter mulch and press perennials that have heaved, back into place.
- Plan to plant a few bird-attracting, native berry plants.