

MONTHLY TO-DO FOR OCTOBER

October 1, 2026

- It's time to plant colorful annuals for fall like Dianthus, Petunias, Snapdragons and Crotons to brighten flower beds and containers. Spring blooming bulbs begin arriving for fall and winter planting.
- Support our fall migrating pollinators and Native Texas Plant Week by planting more natives such as Turk's cap, Autumn Sage, and Blue or White Mistflower.
- To further provide for wildlife, plant native shrubs - mid-story height - such as Texas Sage, Yaupon, Kidneywood, Possumhaw, Agarita, Wax Myrtle, and Lantana.
- Amend vegetable beds with organic compost before planting, and plant cool season choices such as Broccoli, Cauliflower, and Kale by seed or transplant now, and Garlic by cloves through the month.
- Feed all new vegetable plants with a vegetable fertilizer and follow up with foliar feedings of liquid seaweed.
- Fall Herb Weekend is this month! Select from a wide range of favorites in stock, and plant now for the kitchen, pollinators, and the perennial garden.
- Milder weather and increased rainfall make this the best time for planting most plants, including hardy shrubs, Japanese maples and fruit trees to establish them faster with less stress.



Select October Events

All events are free unless noted.

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FAST Class: This Month in the Garden
Saturday, October 3·9:30 – 10:00am

FAST Class: Growing Great Garlic & Shallots
Saturday, October 3·10:30 – 11:00am

Ikebana Exhibition & Workshop
Saturday, October 3·1:30 – 5:30pm
\$35 workshop, FREE exhibition

Orchid Society Meeting
Sunday, October 4·2:00 – 4:30pm
'Hybridizing Orchids' with Jay Balchan

After Hours: Plant Bingo
Tuesday, October 6·6:30 – 8:30pm
\$45

Best Plants for the Heat & Drought
With NHG's Rusty E. Allen
Saturday, October 10·1:00 – 2:30pm

Plant Science Basics Series: Part 3 -
Watering - How, When, & Why
With guest Iman Jones
Saturday, October 10·3:30 – 5:00pm

FAST Class: Growing Great Garlic & Shallots
Sunday, October 11·2:30 – 3:00pm

Workshop: Mindful Photography- Stop, Breathe, See
With guest speaker Dianne Morris Jones
Saturday, October 17·9:30 – 11:00am
\$15

Workshop: Hands-On with Herbs
With guest chef Margaret Ashley
Saturday, October 17·1:00 – 2:30pm

Workshop: Mindful Watercolor - Native Wildflowers
With artist Maya Modi
Sunday, October 18·9:30 – 11:30am
\$40.

Native Prairies Association Meeting- Blackland
Sunday, October 18·11:30am – 1:30pm

Dallas Rose Society Meeting
2026 Rose Show!
Sunday, October 18·2:30 – 5:00pm

Best Native Shrubs & Perennials for Fall
With Texas A & M Agrilife Agent Anne LeSenne
Saturday, October 24·9:30 – 11:00am



EVENTS

Fall Herb Weekend 2026!
Saturday & Sunday, October 17th & 18th
9:00am- 6:00pm

All 4" herbs are \$2.99 each Saturday & Sunday.

DETAILS @ NHG.COM



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