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Ramsey County Master Gardeners

# Garden advice through the seasons - Fall 2022



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## Minnesota Fall

September 1 - November 30		
	Average temperature	Daylight
Season Start	77° F	13 Hours 17 Minutes
Season End	33° F	9 Hours 2 Minutes
Change	44° F decrease	4 hour 3 minute decrease

Check out <u>this calendar</u> for a guide to caring for flowers and vegetable gardens in Minnesota.

# Fall events and opportunities

#### **Become a Master Gardener volunteer**

From demonstration gardens to school gardens, from classrooms to farmers markets, Master Gardener volunteers bring about positive change in their communities. Apply to join the Master Gardener program before October 1.



Ramsey County Master Gardener volunteers partner with Habitat for Humanity each year to help beautify the gardens of new homes.

### Ramsey County garden classes

Learn more about preparing your garden for winter, preserving food, growing microgreens, caring for houseplants and more. Find a local class.

Want more garden classes? Check out upcoming events from the <u>University of Minnesota Extension</u>, the <u>Minnesota Horticultural Society</u>.



### **Apple preserving demonstration**

<u>Join Ramsey County Master Gardeners</u> for a demonstration on how to use and preserve fresh apples. Recipes and samples provided.

## Fall garden information

### Quick pickling your garden bounty

Making quick pickles is a good way to enjoy what you've grown and reduce food waste.

### **Donate extra veggies**

Still have more vegetables than you know what to do with? Consider helping a neighbor and donating them to a food shelf near you using the Ramsey County food resource map.

### Fall clean-up for spring success

As Minnesota gardeners, we're faced with the hard truth that fall is the time to put our gardens away for the impending winter. However, fall clean-up is still an exciting time!

## Yard waste sites ready for fall leaves and pumpkins

After all the raking, leaf blowing and fall decorating, bring your fall yard waste items to Ramsey County's yard waste collection sites for free.



### **Become a Recycling Ambassador**

Register between Sept. 13 - Oct. 18 to become a Ramsey County Recycling Ambassador and encourage others to reduce, reuse and recycle.

### **Keep bugs out of your home**

Cooler days and especially cooler mornings often lead some insects to aggregate in large numbers on the sunny sides of trees, buildings and other structures where they can find the nooks and crannies into our homes.



### **How far can plant disease spread?**

It's complicated. The <u>appearance of any disease</u> often prompts questions about how far that disease can spread and what plants are at risk.

### **Dormant seeding bee lawns**

If you want to start a bee lawn, mid-fall is the best time of year for that task.

#### Give your housplants a fresh start

Plan to bring in any houseplants that spend the growing season outdoors before the fall freeze and take the time to give them a good check-up and <u>cleaning</u>.

#### **Trees for Minnesota**

Fall is a good time to plant trees, providing that you water and care for them as needed until the ground freezes. But what should you plant?

#### Garden resources and services

#### Answers for your garden questions

Get answers to your garden questions using this online form. Please provide as much relevant detail as possible and include photos of the subject of your question (plant, insect, etc.)

### Information about your garden

Extension's Yard and Garden News offers timely garden advice from University of Minnesota researchers and educators. The Yard and Garden resource website provides in-depth information to identify insects, plants and diseases and to find tips on growing healthy vegetables.

- Ramsey County Master Gardeners website, Facebook and Instagram
- Ask Extension online and phone services
- University of Minnesota Extension Yard and Garden News
- University of Minnesota Extension yard and garden resources
- University of Minnesota Landscape Arboretum garden tours and classes
- Minnesota Water Stewards
- <u>University of Minnesota Tree Care Advocates</u>
- Ramsey County yard waste and food scraps drop-off locations
- Ramsey County Recycling Ambassador Program
- Ramsey County Green Ramsey
- Ramsey County Urban Ag and Community Gardening

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