



August Gardening Tips

Herb facts:

Savory can be used as a salt substitute.

Comfrey is great in the compost because its leaves are rich in Nitrogen.

**Herbs can be chopped up and frozen in ice cubes?
Just drop ice cubes into the soup or stew.**

**Use perennial herbs directly from the plant all year.
Sedums are a reliable perennial..**

Fertilize and prune back roses for good fall color.

Iris can be divided now. Cut back leaves to 6-8 inches, dig out the clump and hose away the dirt. Using a sharp knife, cut rhizomes apart, leaving at least 1 fan of leaves, a few inches of healthy rhizome and plenty of well-developed roots.

Fertilize all warm season grasses (Bermuda, zoysiagrass, centipede, St. Augustine) for the last time in mid-August.

Seed a fall crop of peas and spinach. And keep harvesting to allow the plants to keep producing.

Spread a mid season layer of compost, mulch or manure.

**Collect seeds for next year's crops and continue to take cuttings.
Leave some seeds to self sow.**

**Continue to monitor for insects and diseases. Watch for mole crickets,
Lace bugs, whiteflies and chinch bugs.**

Divide and replant overgrown and/or crowded daylilies and cannas.

