

June Garden Calendar

Watch for adult Japanese beetles on plants such as crape myrtles, roses, grapes, linden, crabapples, chaste tree, Japanese Kerria, and many others. Control by knocking beetles into a jar of soapy water, or spray with **Sevin, Neem Py, Bug Blaster or Insecticidal Soap**. To control Japanese beetles in the grub stage, apply **Milky Spore or Hy Yield Kill a Grub (containing granular Merit)** to lawns for control up to 20 years.

For easy watering of many plants at one time, use a soaker hose for 2 hours every 7-10 days when soil is dry.

Watch for hatching bagworms, especially on evergreens such as junipers and arborvitae. Handpick bagworms and destroy them, or spray with **Thuricide (*Bacillus thuringiensis*) or Fertilome Borer, Bagworm, Leafminer, & Tent Caterpillar Spray**.

Prune azaleas, viburnums, forsythias, lilacs, and other spring blooming shrubs after blooming.

Plant perennials throughout the month for summer flowering. Use **Bone & Bloodmeal** and **Compost & Manure** mixed with the soil when planting. Trim back the flower stalks of perennials which have finished blooming.

Treat water gardens with **AquaClearer or Green Clean** natural bacteria to control green water and sludge buildup. Use **oxygenators** (submerged water plants) as a natural filter to help control algae buildup. They provide oxygen for fish and will help balance the natural ecosystem of a water garden making the water clear naturally.

If you are having trouble with Zoysia or Bermuda grass in your landscape bed, now is the time to apply **Turflon Ester** to those pest grasses to keep them out.