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A Stronger Landscape Starts This Fall

Do you have the perfect spot in mind for a new tree or grouping of shrubs? Maybe you lost a plant, or some of your older shrubs need to be replaced because they've become overgrown. Whatever your situation, if you're planning to install trees or shrubs, fall is a great time to do it. The cooler weather and more plentiful moisture give landscape plants a chance to put out roots and get used to their new home before the stress of next summer's heat and dryness is upon them. They will have an extra growing season to become established, and you'll have the pleasure of seeing your new landscape plants bloom or leaf out next spring.

Fall Is a Great Time to Evaluate Your Property

Planting season isn't only about adding something new. It's also an opportunity to take a closer look at how your existing landscape is performing.

Are there shrubs that have outgrown their space? Trees that are declining? Empty areas that could benefit from additional screening? Beds that have lost their structure or visual impact?

Fall is an excellent time to identify these areas and develop a plan for replacements or enhancements.

Properties of the Month: SEPTEMBER

Marshland Credit Union
Golden Isles



Ramsey Landing
Savannah



Omni Resort Roundabout
Kingsland



*Each Property of the Month
is selected by the Branch
Manager according to
the crew's monthly
Quality Control report.*



For commercial properties, strategic improvements can help:

- Refresh entrances and high-visibility areas
- Improve screening around utilities, parking areas, and service zones
- Replace declining or overgrown plant material
- Improve year-round curb appeal
- Introduce plants better suited to the property's conditions
- Prepare the landscape for stronger performance next spring and summer



When selecting plants as additions or replacements for your landscape, keep these points in mind:

- **Account for the plants' eventual, mature size, and give them enough room to grow.** It's a common mistake to space plants based on their size when planted. This can lead to the need for severe pruning or elimination of plants when they begin to approach full size.
- **Plant in odd-numbered (1, 3, 5, 7) rather than even-numbered groups** for the most pleasing effect.
- **Large trees and any shrubs that are top heavy should be staked** so that they lean 1 or 2 degrees into the prevailing winds.

Why is Fall the Best Time for Planting?

- **Soil Temperatures** – Roots grow best in warm soil. Spring planting is successful for planting, but root growth is limited in the spring because the soil doesn't have time to warm up from the winter months.
- **Air temperatures** cool off in the fall months and plants experience minimal heat stress.
- **Water requirements** during the fall are less for plant material and cooler weather helps to eliminate evaporation.
- Planting in the fall **gives plants several months to become established** prior to entering the upcoming warmer spring and summer months.
- **Insect damage** is less in the fall because insect populations are declining.

Team Members of the Month: SEPTEMBER

Alex Larsh
Golden Isles



David Pate
Savannah



Kerry Funderburk
Kingsland



*These team members display our core values (**Responsive, Ownership, Observant, Trusted, Skillful**) in all that they do while working, have excellent attendance, and are constantly trying to improve themselves.*

Quick Tips For Fall

- **Refresh mulch in planting beds.** A proper layer of mulch helps retain soil moisture, moderate soil temperatures and give beds a clean, finished appearance.
- **Keep an eye on irrigation.** Cooler temperatures may mean your landscape requires less supplemental water. Irrigation schedules should be adjusted as weather conditions and plant needs change.
- **Clean up leaves and landscape debris.** Keeping turf and planting beds clear of excessive leaf litter and debris helps maintain a neat appearance and reduces areas where certain pests and diseases may thrive.
- **Look for declining or overgrown plant material.** Fall is a great time to identify plants that aren't performing well and begin planning replacements.
- **Don't forget seasonal color.** As summer annuals begin to fade, fall is the time to start thinking about cool-season color that can keep entrances and high-visibility areas looking fresh through the cooler months.
- **Look ahead to spring.** Fall improvements don't have to provide instant gratification. Trees, shrubs and other plant material installed now can establish roots during the cooler months and help set the stage for a stronger landscape next spring.



More Than Curb Appeal

Trees and shrubs do more than make a property look attractive. Thoughtfully placed plant material can serve an important purpose within a commercial landscape.

Trees can provide shade for parking areas, sidewalks and gathering spaces, while shrubs can help define entrances, direct pedestrian traffic and screen utilities or service areas. Plantings can also soften large buildings and hardscape areas and create a more welcoming environment for employees, residents, customers and visitors.

When planning fall enhancements, think beyond filling an empty space. Consider how new plant material could make your landscape **more attractive, functional and enjoyable.**



A Note from JJ: *Time to Refresh, Prepare, Invest*

September is here, and while our coastal temperatures may not feel like fall just yet, the change of seasons is beginning! For landscape professionals, fall is one of our favorite times of the year. Cooler temperatures bring the perfect opportunity to **refresh, prepare, and invest** in your landscape for the months ahead.



Our Coastal Greenery teams will be busy with seasonal pruning, installing trees and new plant material, preparing turf and plantings for winter fertilization, and, of course, **adding plenty of pretty flowers** and seasonal color to the great properties we get to work in.

One thing I've learned over more than 30 years in the landscape industry is that **fall is one of the best times to plant**. Cooler temperatures reduce stress on new plant material while the soil remains warm enough for roots to become established. The work we do in the fall helps create healthier, stronger, and more beautiful landscapes when spring returns.

As you walk your property this September, look around. Is there an area that needs refreshing? Trees that need to be added or replaced? Overgrown plant material that needs attention? An entrance that could use some seasonal color? **Now is the time to start the conversation with your Coastal Greenery Client Relations Leader.**

Thank you for trusting our team to protect and enhance your landscape investment. We appreciate the opportunity to serve you and look forward to a beautiful fall season throughout the Coastal Communities we call home. **Happy Fall!**

Jeffrey Johns, President, Coastal Greenery Landscaping

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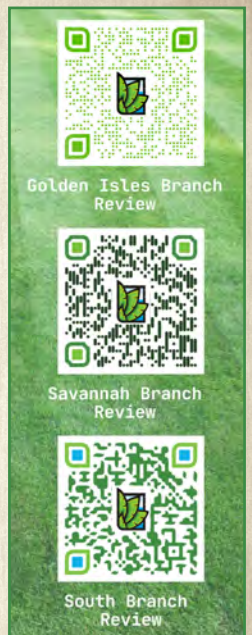
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