

NORTH BAY HERITAGE GARDENERS

GUIDELINE FOR WATERFRONT GARDENING

JANUARY

- 🌱 Rest and dream about gardening.
- 🌱 Re-register as a Heritage Gardener and encourage others to join.
- 🌱 Take advantage of the Incentive Program.

FEBRUARY

- 🌱 Team leaders to contact their team members about the upcoming season.
- 🌱 Register for upcoming education sessions.

MARCH

- 🌱 Attend the first education session of the year.
- 🌱 Read newsletter for details on upcoming events.

APRIL

- 🌱 Attend the Spring Team Leaders Meeting.
- 🌱 Sharpen tools.
- 🌱 Prune shrubs that bloomed last summer using proper pruning practices.
- 🌱 Tie yellow flagging ribbon around trees or limbs for removal by City staff
- 🌱 Clean debris and weeds from beds.
- 🌱 Place bulb and plant orders with the horticultural coordinator.

MAY

- 🌱 Attend Annual Waterfront Cleanup.
- 🌱 Plant new shrubs and perennials. Water during and after planting.
- 🌱 Amend and cultivate soil.
- 🌱 Pull weeds and bag for pick up by city park staff. Pick up litter.
- 🌱 Cut bulb flower heads after blooming. Let leaves die back naturally.
- 🌱 Remove weeds from the bases of our young trees and add mulch.

JUNE

- 🌱 Prune spring flowering shrubs after blooms finish.
- 🌱 Candle mugo pine new shoot growth.
- 🌱 Watch for disease and insect infestation. Contact coordinator immediately.
- 🌱 Water plants as necessary.
- 🌱 Sweep and rake up. Think safety first - keep tools off walkways.
- 🌱 Weed. Pick up litter.

JULY and AUGUST

- 🌱 Cut spent flower heads. Shear back perennials for a second blooming.
- 🌱 Remove leaves from spring bulbs.
- 🌱 Water plants as needed.
- 🌱 Clean up dead leaves and debris in and around your beds.
- 🌱 Sweep and rake up.
- 🌱 Pull weeds in bed and nearby rocks, and bag for pick up by park staff.
- 🌱 Edge the beds along lawn areas - only a few inches deep and wide.
- 🌱 Collect seeds.

SEPTEMBER is a good month to

- 🌱 Attend Annual Volunteer Appreciation Event.
- 🌱 Cut spent flower heads.
- 🌱 Clean up dead leaves, debris, and garbage in beds.
- 🌱 Water if necessary.
- 🌱 Complete any approved fall planting.
- 🌱 Pull weeds and bag for park staff pick up.
- 🌱 Keep the bases of our young trees weed free and mulched.

OCTOBER is the best time of year to

- 🌱 Plant bulbs. Check bed for litter.
- 🌱 Check evergreen shrubs; soak soil around shrub if ground is dry.
- 🌱 Clean tools with an oily rag for storage.

NOVEMBER is a cold month, so

- 🌱 Prune mugo pine if shrub is dormant - usually after numerous severe frosts.

DECEMBER is the time to rest and dream about gardening, so you can

- 🌱 Shop locally for gardening goodies and books for gift giving.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Your Horticultural Coordinator can assist with your gardening activities at cfurlonger3700@gmail.com

Please direct planting design requests to the Design Team Chair at bonnie.cappadocia@gmail.com

Please direct all other inquiries to the Director at heritagegardeners@heritagenorthbay.com

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