



shades of green



Here are some easy things you can do in your garden TODAY to deepen your shade of GREEN.

GREEN



LIGHT GREEN

GRASSCYCLE:

Leaving your grass clippings on the lawn after you mow **reduces** waste and helps to promote a lush lawn.

MULCH:

Mulching helps soil retain moisture-conserving H₂O, moderates soil temps, **reduces** weeds and promotes plant health.

USE WATER RESPONSIBLY:

Use a broom instead of water to clean off your patio. Get an auto shut-off nozzle for your hose end. **Reduce** unnecessary water use.

DON'T FERTILIZE, FEED:

Use **natural** sources of nutrients rather than synthetic fertilizers. Natural and **organic** sources of nutrients reduce harmful runoff.

FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS:

Apply chemicals safely, **responsibly** and **effectively**. Read the label and always follow instructions to ensure you are not over applying and doing more harm than good.



BRIGHT GREEN

PLANT A SHADE TREE:

Deciduous shade trees cool your house in the summer and allow the sun to warm it in the winter, **reducing** non-renewable energy consumption while protecting our air quality.

BUILD SOIL CHEMISTRY:

Natural and **organic** plant foods and soil amendments feed the soil allowing the soil in turn to feed the plants. Strong, healthy soil and plants **reduce** the need for harsh chemicals that can contaminate our waterways.

DON'T OVER WATER:

Program your irrigation clock, convert to drip and replace old sprinkler heads with new, water saving MP Rotator heads. People tend to over water. **Conserve** water by watering your plants only when they need it and no more than your plants require.

PREVENT PEST & DISEASE:

Keeping plants healthy with regular feedings **reduces** the need for pesticides and chemicals. Pest and disease attack weak plants first.



DEEP GREEN

COMPOST:

Homemade compost provides valuable nutrients, promotes pest and disease resistance and improves soil chemistry. Plus it allows you to reduce waste by **reusing** kitchen scraps and yard debris.

SOLAR SYNC YOUR IRRIGATION CLOCK:

Solar Syncing **conserves** water by automatically adjusting watering times based on local weather conditions (Hunter ICC & Pro-C compatible).

INSTALL A RAIN BARREL:

Rain barrels reduce runoff and capture water that can be **reused** during times of drought.

PRACTICE IPM (INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT):

1. Set an action threshold.
2. Recognize not all insects, weeds and diseases require control.
3. Manage and prevent problems from occurring.
4. Be sensible in your pesticide use. Evaluate for both effectiveness and risk.



GREEN FACT:

"The EPA estimates at least half of all the water we use on our landscapes and gardens is wasted. If we all started watering responsibly we could save 3.25 billion gallons of water a day."

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