

Perennials Detailed Watering & Care Guide

****Always remember to water by hand, at the base and not on the leaves. Perennials are smaller plants and cannot handle a heavy soaking when you water them.****

****Install all plants with blended/mushroom compost and topsoil, starter fertilizer and a thin layer of mulch at the base****

****Remember to check plants for water more often in SUMMER!****

****PLEASE REACH OUT TO US FOR HELP IF YOUR PLANT IS NOT ON THIS LIST****

Agastache-prefers all day sun, slightly moist but well drained soil. Cut back in mid April, leaving a few inches of stem to maintain structure.

Ajuga-prefers at least half a day sun but can handle most shade. Can handle moist soil but not overly saturated, no standing water for long periods of time. Cut back to the ground in Mid April.

Allium-prefers all day sun and dry soil. Rabbit resistant. Trim down ½ to ¾ of the stems in late fall or early spring.

Amsonia-prefers all day sun and dry soil. Trim down ¾ of the stems in Mid April.

Anemone-prefers morning sun, afternoon shade, moist but well drained soil. Cut back after first frost leaving 1/4th of the stems.

Artemesia-prefers all day sun and dry soil. Roots cannot be saturated with water for too long. Spread extra mulch around the base in late fall for winter protection. Cut back in mid to late April after temperatures have forced new living leaf buds to break open; usually about ½ to ¾ of stems will be cut.

Asclepias Butterfly Weed-prefers all day sun and dry soils. Cut plant down ¾ of the way in early mid November or early April.

Astilbe-prefers mostly shade, especially in the afternoon as well as moist soils. Water extra during a drought. Trim ¾ of the way in mid April.

Balloon Flower-prefers all day sun but can handle some shade. Prefers moist but well drained soils. Does not like sitting water especially if in a shaded area. Trim ¾ of the way in mid April.

Baptisia-prefers all day sun, but can handle morning shade. Very drought tolerant once established, can tolerate moisture but must be in full sun. Trim down leaving 3-4" of stem in late October or early April.

Bellflower- prefers morning sun, afternoon shade and slightly moist soil (no standing water). Cut dead stems back ¾ in Mid April.

Bergenia-prefers morning sun and afternoon shade. Can handle filtered mostly shade with filtered sunlight but needs to be on the dryer side.

Bleeding Heart-prefers full shade and dry soil, will die back in late summer (type of perennial is called ephemeral). Cut back once all the stems have turned completely yellow in late summer.

Brunnera-prefers full shade and dry soil. Cut back dead foliage in April.

Butterfly Bush-prefers full sun and dry soil once established. Cut back 1/4th of the stems in late April.

Calamint- prefers all day sun and dry soil once established. Trim finished flowers during the year to promote more and cut back dead foliage in April.

Cardinal Flower-prefers all day sun but can tolerate part shade. Can handle moist but well drained soil. Cut back dead foliage in April.

Catmint-prefers all day sun and dry soil once established. Cut back dead foliage in April.

Coneflower-prefers all day sun and dry soil. Cut back dead foliage in April.

Coral Bell-prefers full shade but some varieties can take morning sun like Palace Purple. Can tolerate slightly moist but well drained soil. Cover with extra mulch in late fall and early spring. Cut back dead foliage in late April.

Coreopsis-prefers all day sun and dry soil once established. Cut back dead foliage in April.

Daylily-prefers all day sun. Can tolerate moist (well-drained) or dry soil. Cut back once foliage is yellow in the fall or wait until following March (late) or April (early).

Delosperma- prefers all day sun and very dry soil. Cut back dead foliage in April.

Dianthus- prefers all day sun but can tolerate morning shade. Prefers dry soil once established. Cut back dead foliage in April.

Fern-prefers full shade or a little bit of morning sun. Can tolerate dry conditions in the shade but prefers moist (well-drained) soil. Trim dead and browning foliage throughout the year to maintain a shape (stop in October). In April, trim any brown stems down half way and new will grow through.

Foxglove-prefers full sun or part shade. Can tolerate dry conditions once established. Trim dead foliage in April.

Geranium-prefers all day sun but can tolerate a few hours of shade. Trim back dead foliage in April.

Heliopsis- prefers all day sun but can tolerate a few hours of shade. Trim back dead foliage in April.

Hibiscus (Perennial)- prefers all day sun but can tolerate a few hours of shade. Can tolerate very moist soil but once established, can handle periods of dry. Very late to show signs of life. Wait until late May/early June to remove any dead stems from previous year.

Hosta-prefers full shade and dry soil. Cut leaves in November once they have turned yellow or wait until late March.

Iris-prefers all day sun but can handle a half days worth. Tolerates very moist soil. Trim back dead foliage in April.

Joe Pye Weed- prefers all day sun if the soil is moist, but can tolerate half day sun if the soil is drier. Cut back dead foliage in April.

Ladys Mantle- prefers all day shade but can handle morning sun. Works best in well drained soil. Trim back dead foliage in April.

Lamium-prefers all day shade and dry soil but can handle morning sun. Trim back dead foliage in April.

Lavender-prefers all day sun and dry soil. Cut back finished flowers throughout the year to promote more blooms. Do not cut back anything after September. If there is too many dead, woody stems, you can cut back 1/3rd to try to rejuvenate the plant.

Liatris-prefers all day sun and dry soil. Cut back finished flowers during the year and remove dead foliage in April.

Ligularia-prefers all day sun and moist soil. Remove dead foliage in April.

Liriope-can tolerate all day sun or shade. Prefers dry soil but can handle moist if well drained. Trim back any yellow/brown foliage in November or March.

Monarda-prefers all day sun but can tolerate half day. Prefers dry soil. Cut back dead foliage in April.

Penstemon-can tolerate all day sun with moist soil or half day sun with drier soil. Cut back dead foliage in April.

Peony- prefers all day sun and dry soil but can handle moist if well drained. Cut back once flowers are spent in late spring/early summer (best used among other plants as an accent).

Phlox-prefers all day sun and dry soil. Cut off finished flowers during the year. Trim down slightly in early October if needed or leave alone. Rejuvenation pruning can be done in April if necessary.

Rudbeckia-prefers all day sun and dry soil. Remove any brown or dead foliage in summer/fall. Prune dead stems down halfway in April.

Russian Sage-prefers all day sun and dry soil. Cut back finished flowers in late summer/early fall. Trim dead stems halfway down in April.

Salvia-prefers all day sun and dry soil. Cut back finished flowers in late spring. Cut stems down halfway in mid-summer to improve shape and promote better growth. Cut stems back again slightly in October or leave alone if leaves have melted away on their own.

Sedum-prefers all day sun and dry soil. Cut back dead stems ¾ in April.

Shasta Daisy-prefers all day sun and dry soil. Cut back finished flowers in late summer. Cut back dead stems $\frac{3}{4}$ in April.

Stachys Hummelo Betony-prefers all day sun, moist but well-drained soil. Trim back dead foliage in November or April.

Stachys Woolly Lamb's Ear-prefers all day sun but dry soil once established. Remove dead foliage in April.

Veronica-prefers all day sun and moist-well drained soil. Remove finished flowers during summer and trim back stems in November once they have turned yellow/brown.

Yarrow-prefers all day sun and dry soil. Remove finished flowers during the summer and trim back stems $\frac{1}{2}$ in early April.