



Gardening Tips and Tricks

Main keys to gardening success:

Soil preparation – Do soil test for nutrients requirements every 3 years, especially vegetable gardens

Add composted materials to enrich the soil each year

Correct selection of plants for Zone 7

The right light requirements for plants – sun-loving plants in the sun and shade-loving plants in the shade

Watering – new plantings need more water than established. Know the water requirements for plants and grasses. 1 inch per week spring and early summer, 2 inches in the heat of July and August.

Mulch with 2-3 inches of organic mulch to reduce water needs, reduce weeds and keep soil temperatures low

Check out mesonet.org for information on rainfall amounts, soil temperatures, etc.

Happy Gardening!