

Express News Tasks

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- To reduce evaporation from the soil, keep soil temperatures reasonable and reduce weed competition, mulch newly planted trees and shrubs with leaves, shredded brush, shredded cedar, pecan shells or whatever other material is readily available.
- Bougainvillea make excellent hanging basket and container plants for full sun. For maximum bloom fertilize them well and only water after the soil surface dries to one/half inch.
- Plant cosmos seed to replace the spring blooming wildflowers. The seed must have contact with the soil and be in full sun. The cosmos will grow, bloom and reseed itself all summer.
- On tomatoes stop the spread of early blight with chlorothalonil. It is a fungus disease that kills the leaves from the base upward. Carbaryl will control stink bugs, and use Bt for caterpillars.