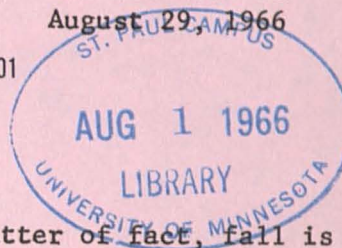# Yard 'n' Garden

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FALL LANDSCAPING

Can trees and shrubs be planted in the fall? As a matter of fact, fall is a good time to begin planting your landscape. Both shrubs and trees for landscape purposes can be successfully planted during the fall season. Container-grown nursery stock and materials that go dormant early can be started at this time also. Trees and shrubs may also be moved or rejuvenated in the fall.

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Often it is possible to rejuvenate deciduous shrubs by pruning them. Overgrown plant materials may be replaced now. In fact, fall is a good time to make these replacements and to take advantage of the winter effect the new plant materials will give to your landscape. Where construction is to be accomplished in the land-scape design, it is a good idea to start the footings and get the foundation fill established this fall. Where changes of grade for patio or leveling of the lawn is necessary, the fill will settle during the winter season and the landscaping can be continued in the spring.

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For new homes where foundations have just been completed it is best to wait until spring for the foundation plantings.

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Permanent trees can be planted in the landscape just as soon as the leaves have fallen. Consult your local landscape nurseryman first of all on the develop-ment of the landscape plans, then on appropriate species and transplanting informa-tion. Often during the fall season there is more time available to devote to site planning and development.

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Seeding and sodding are possible in autumn, too. Seeding can continue until September 10. If properly cared for, sod may be laid almost until frost.

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