

# Winter Checklist



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Clippings

Your seasonal to-do list for more successful food gardens!

## All Winter

- Properly mulch your garden beds to prevent wind erosion and suppress weeds. (see [CSU Extension Fact Sheet 7.214](#) for mulch types and comparisons)
- Check for and manage winter weeds like **Downy Brome** (*Bromus tectorum*), **Henbit** (*Lamium amplexicaule*), **Mallow** (*Malva neglecta*), and **Redstem Filaree** (*Erodium cicutarium*).

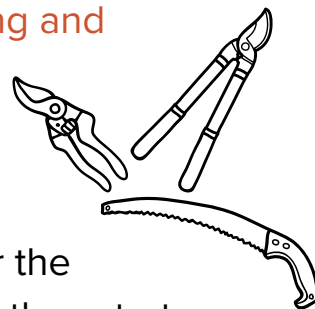


- Pore over seed catalogs and plan for next year. Remember to rotate your crops—in space if you have room, or in time (don't grow the same things every year) if your garden is small—especially if you had pest or disease issues last year.
- Need garden plan ideas? Check out these custom [Grow & Give Garden Plans!](#)



## Late Winter

- Prune your fruit trees. (See [CSU Extension Fact Sheet 7.003 - Training and Pruning Fruit Trees](#))
- Prune any other trees or shrubs as recommended.
- Review any **IPM (Integrated Pest Management)** notes you made over the summer and make plans to solve garden pest/disease issues before they start.
- Check your IPM supply list and stock up before spring as needed.



For details on winter garden care, go to [growandgivecolorado.org](http://growandgivecolorado.org)