

BERMUDA GRASS IN ALABAMA

WARM-SEASON LAWN CALENDAR

Weather overrides the month. Repair during active warmth; reduce work as growth slows. Prepare water equipment before your first local freeze, even if earlier than shown.

01 JANUARY Check winter conditions Protect frosted or saturated turf. Check moisture during extended dry weather. Check: Cold-weather browning alone is not a call for nitrogen.	02 FEBRUARY Prepare for growth Confirm common or hybrid cultivar and suitable repair material. Check: A warm spell does not prove sustained green-up.	03 MARCH Watch green-up Compare growth across the lawn. Identify weeds before choosing a control method. Check: Delay disruptive work while the grass is still dormant.
04 APRIL Check the regional restart Compare sustained growth with local frost risk before disruptive work. Check: A South Alabama date is not a statewide deadline.	05 MAY Plan a warm repair If growth is vigorous, repair diagnosed bare areas with suitable grass material. Protect establishment. Check: Confirm the cultivar's seed, sod or plug requirements.	06 JUNE Keep up with the cut Measure grass height and mow before removing too much leaf. Check: More growth can require more frequent mowing.
07 JULY Watch heat and water Check rainfall, root moisture and sprinkler coverage. Adjust care to the lawn's actual response. Check: Cultivar and mower type set the cutting-height choice.	08 AUGUST Review the input log Check what was already applied and how the lawn responded. Check: Do not use a maximum program as a default target.	09 SEPTEMBER Reassess the season Reduce mowing frequency if growth slows. Review winter annual weeds and upcoming local restrictions. Check: Avoid late nitrogen that forces growth before cold weather.
10 OCTOBER Protect the leaf cover Clear heavy leaves and monitor moisture. Keep traffic off frosted turf where frost occurs. Check: Brown color may be dormancy; diagnose patches separately.	11 NOVEMBER Adjust to the site If growth has slowed, reduce inputs. Winterize irrigation where freezing is expected. Check: In frost-free areas, follow continued growth and rainfall.	12 DECEMBER Keep a useful record Record this year's green-up, repairs and water use. Inspect dry or repeatedly wet areas. Check: Do not assume every warm-season lawn is dormant now.

Compare coastal exposure with your inland site, and note when this lawn actually resumes growth.

LAWN AREA: _____ GRASS / CULTIVAR: _____

Use current local advice and product labels. New seed, sod and plugs need separate establishment care. This is a planning sheet, not a monthly treatment schedule.



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