

ST. AUGUSTINE IN FLORIDA

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 your region Note whether your St. Augustinegrass is growing or dormant before changing inputs. Check: South Florida may remain active.	02 FEBRUARY Prepare for growth Repairs usually use sod or plugs, not generic lawn seed. 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 Wait for steady growth Resume mowing as needed at a cultivar-suitable height. Inspect irrigation coverage. Check: Nitrogen and coring need suitable active growth, not a date.	05 MAY Repair with the right grass If growth supports rooting, repair with matching sod or plugs and protect the patch. Check: Use the cultivar name, not a generic seed mixture.	06 JUNE Use the growing window Mow by growth. Core compacted areas only if needed and the lawn can recover. Check: Avoid saturated or drought-stressed soil.
07 JULY Compare rain and irrigation Measure rainfall and sprinkler coverage before extending every zone. Check: Diagnose yellow patches before buying treatment.	08 AUGUST Leave recovery time Inspect wear and thinning. Plan remaining repairs only if enough warm growing time remains. Check: Do not begin major work as growth is shutting down.	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.

Record your part of Florida and cultivar. Check local fertilizer and irrigation rules before planning applications.

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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