

THROUGH THE HOT, DRY WEEKS

YOUR MONTH-BY-MONTH FIELD NOTES

Use months as reminders; local weather, grass growth and establishment stage take priority. Move freeze preparation ahead of your first local freeze, even if earlier than shown.

01 JANUARY Identify the grass Learn whether your species can tolerate dormancy and where recent repairs need separate care.	02 FEBRUARY Choose a water goal Decide what area you can maintain within local water limits.	03 MARCH Check coverage early Repair leaks and misdirected heads before stressful weather arrives.
04 APRIL Measure the root zone Compare soil moisture under healthy and struggling areas.	05 MAY Start a shared water log Record rainfall, irrigation and the first signs of stress.	06 JUNE Reduce unnecessary wear Move heavy play and repeated routes away from weakening turf.
07 JULY Respond to the grass Check local survival guidance; browning alone proves neither death nor safe dormancy.	08 AUGUST Avoid forced growth Postpone disruptive work and extra feeding while the lawn is severely stressed.	09 SEPTEMBER Check recovery Inspect live growth when conditions improve before buying seed or sod.
10 OCTOBER Repair in a suitable window Use your grass's recovery season and allow enough establishment time.	11 NOVEMBER Plan a smaller demand Consider suitable planting alternatives where keeping turf green is repeatedly impractical.	12 DECEMBER Review water use Compare this year's rain, irrigation and surviving lawn areas before changing next year's goal.

Observe the cause | Choose the right growing window | Keep a short photo and care log

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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