

Summer Rose Pruning & Care - Class Notes



Photo taken on August 21

Summer Dormancy

Summer Watering

Mulch, Mulch, Mulch

3" thick - 1 cubic yard = 100 square feet

\$40-\$90/yard in bulk, \$110-\$125/yard in bags

How much water?

Water and wait

Drip Irrigation Basics

Valve - Filter - Pressure reducer - hose adapter to drip tubing

Types of emitters: button or flag, Gallons per hour, spacing

Fertilizing

Reduce through July-August 50%

Pest Control

Mites

Water

Rose Defense, Neem oil (caution - use below 80°F)

Bayer 3in1

Sevin

Thrips

Monterey Garden Insect Spray

Summer Pruning

Why?

How?

Remove dead branches

Remove crossing branches

Reduce by 1/3

Keep canopy in hot areas

Questions



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waterwise

Here are some ideas on how you can save water in your garden.

Mulch, mulch, mulch! A layer of 2 - 4 inches of wood mulch will reduce water use tremendously. Don't let the mulch layer get less than 2 inches.

Mulch, mulch, mulch, Trees! - 4-6 inches of mulch from the drip line to about a foot from the trunk.

Water your plants in the morning. The cool part of the day is the best time to water.

Water deeply. You need to train the plants in your garden where to find water. By watering deeply, roots will be able to grow deeply and find the moisture they need.

Water your trees. Many of our trees are expecting to have water during the summer because they have always had water during the summer. When watering trees, water slowly and deeply for many hours. Apply water halfway out to the drip line of the tree and not at the trunk of the tree.

Drip Irrigation. Using drip irrigation will put the water where you want it.

Use organic fertilizer. Organic fertilizers breakdown slowly allowing the plant to use the nutrients they need.

Water use communities. When designing your yard, create areas with similar water requirements. Keeping plants together with the same water needs will allow you to water for those plants needs and not the one plant that needs more than the rest.

WUCOLS. (Water Use Classification of Landscape Species) This web site will let you know what the water requirements of plants are so you can easily create water use communities in your garden.

<http://ucanr.edu/sites/WUCOLS/>



<http://saveourwater.com/>

HELP YOUR TREES SURVIVE THE DROUGHT



**BE WATER-WISE.
IT'S EASY.
HERE'S HOW.**

Trees and water are both precious resources. Trees make our houses feel like home — they also improve property values, clean our water & air, and even make our streets safer & quieter. When we water wisely and maintain our trees carefully, we enjoy a wide range of benefits at a low cost and with little effort.

YOUNG TREES

The roots of younger trees are less established & need easier access to water to establish deep root systems.

MATURE TREES

Mature trees require MORE water when growing near heat traps such as driveways and foundations.

EXPOSED TREES

Water loss is greater where trees are exposed to hot afternoon sun and strong or constant wind.

DECIDUOUS TREES

The critical time for water is during bud-break in spring when new buds and leaves are forming.



THE RIGHT AMOUNT

Water young trees twice per week (about 5 gallons) and mature trees once per week in several places (the equivalent of 1 to 1.5 inches of rain).

IN THE RIGHT PLACE

Water the "drip zone," area directly beneath the foliage and shaded by the tree. Also, add mulch to lower soil temperatures & reduce water evaporation.

CONSERVE & RECYCLE WATER

Inside: Place buckets in the shower to collect warm up water. Recycle water from the dehumidifier, collect air conditioning condensation, & "save a flush" to conserve.
Outside: Convert irrigation systems to drip, low-flow or micro sprays and fix leaks.

THE RIGHT TIME

Water early in the morning or after the sun has set, as this is when trees replace the water they've lost during the day. Also less water is lost to evaporation at these times. Mulching your tree will also keep soils warmer in winter and cooler in summer.

DON'T WASTE WATER

Water so that it soaks into the ground rather than running off into the drain.

THE RIGHT WAY

During drought, water directly with a hose or 5-gallon bucket.

THE RIGHT DEPTH

Deep watering helps deep root growth and healthier trees.

THE RIGHT CHOICE

Plant native or drought resistant tree species that require less water. Choose trees over lawn as trees are a long term investment.



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