

# Rosewood Garden Designs

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## February in the Garden

While the days are getting longer, I find my winter tolerance is getting shorter, so to cheer myself up, I cut branches of forsythia and quince to bring indoors. A couple of days in a vase of water and they'll be full of flowers. You can also cut cherries, crabapple, and redbud.

Shrubs and ornamental trees should be fertilized in mid-February. Ornamental trees can be pruned for shape and size, as well as any winter damage removed. Be careful of pruning Maples at this time, as the sap may have already risen.

Prune fruit trees and rose bushes mid to late month, avoiding pruning right before a hard frost. Begin fertilizing both. We use organic fertilizers, including (among others) Plantone, Rosetone, Hollytone etc. for all our plantings.

Prepare beds in the vegetable garden for cool season vegetables such as carrots, onions, lettuce, radishes and peas. These can go in towards the end of the month.

If you use a pre-emmergent on the lawn, now is the time for the first application. Fertilize as well.

Get ready for Spring!

Thank you  
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