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## **Weekly Specials September 21st-27th**

Perennials:

30% off:

Astilbe and Liatris

50% off:

Grasses, Lilies, and Coralbells

Shrubs:

30% off:

Ninebark, Cypress, and Barberry

50% off:

Roses

Gift Items:

30% off

Any items or pottery with WHITE on it, or in the design

Sale prices may not be applied to previously purchased material.

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## **Fall Lawn Tips**



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### **Benefits to a Fall Feeding:**

Our lawns were already stressed by summer heat and drought then we added the stress caused by tree debris and clean-up. As some people are wrapping up clean-up we have noticed an uptick in customers asking about a fall fertilizing.

A nice late season fertilizing will allow your grass to feed the roots and keep those nutrients available to the plant for an early season growth next spring. Our Starter Fertilizer is a 12-26-6. This means it will help bulk up that root system with the kick of 26% phosphorus. A strong root system is a great way for the grasses to fill in early. According to Scotts.com, not only will that lead to a thicker, lusher lawn, but your grass will green up earlier by as many as 2 to 6 weeks!

### **Benefits to Aeration:**

Aeration involves perforating the soil with small holes to allow air, water and nutrients to penetrate the grass roots. This helps the roots grow deeply and produce a stronger, more vigorous lawn. Aeration is a great way to help aid in soil compaction reduction.

### **Fall Seeding:**

Soil temperatures should be above 50 degrees for best germination. Our current temperatures are hovering around 59 degrees 4" deep. Daytime temperatures in the 70s provides the soil with retained warmth, but not too hot as to dry it out. You should see growth within 10 days or so.

## **Straw Mulching:**

A nice layer of straw will help retain both soil warmth and moisture. Mulching can also prevent weed seed from blowing in and germinating prior to your grass seed. New seed requires around 1" of water per week. This number might fluctuate a bit depending on wind and sunshine.

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## **Trees, Trees, Trees**

We have a new shipment of trees coming in this week! As always, it is first come first serve with no holds.

Give us a call Monday morning to check on delivery time.

Burgundy Belle Maple

Northwood Maple

Sun Valley Maple (seedless)

Fall Fiesta Sugar Maple

Green Mountain Sugar Maple

Autumn Blaze Maple

Autumn Brilliance Serviceberry

Heritage Birch

Sunburst Honeylocust

Rejoice Crabapple

Spring Snow Crabapple (fruitless)

Quacking Aspen

Bur Oak

Northern Red Oak

Most will be in a 10 gallon container with heights varying from 7-9' tall. The caliper is typically 1-1.25".

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**Select pumpkins, gourds, and squash are available and were grown by CRGC staff.**



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## **September Gardening To-Do:**

- Continue

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divide  
perennials  
such  
as  
Daylilies,  
Iris,  
Grasses,  
and  
many  
others

- Cut  
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