



February Garden Tasks

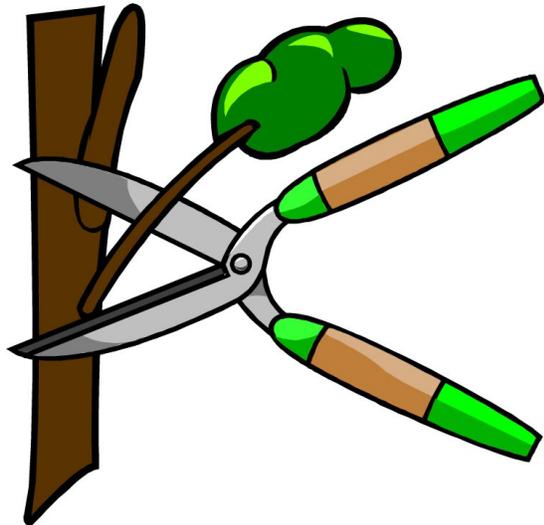


Sowing & Planting

- Sow early broad beans, peas, and hardy salad crops under cover.
- Start chilli, pepper, and aubergine seeds indoors with heat.
- Chit seed potatoes in a light, cool place.

Pruning & Cutting Back

- Finish pruning apple and pear trees before bud burst.
- Prune autumn-fruiting raspberries down to the ground.
- Cut back winter jasmine and wisteria after flowering.



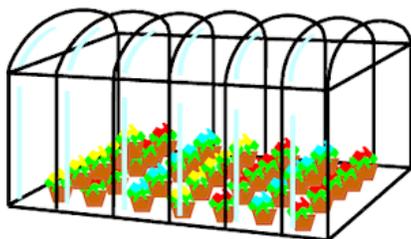


Harvesting

- Continue harvesting leeks, parsnips, cabbages, and kale.
- Pick forced rhubarb stems as they become ready.
- Check stored fruit and vegetables regularly for rot.

Watering & Feeding

- Water seedlings indoors sparingly to avoid damping off.
- Top up water for containers kept under cover.
- Avoid feeding until growth starts in spring.



Greenhouse

- Sow tomatoes in heated propagators or on windowsills.
- Check overwintered fuchsias, geraniums, and tender plants for growth.
- Ventilate on sunny days to reduce condensation.

Houseplants

- Resume light feeding as days lengthen.
- Check for early pests like aphids and red spider mite.
- Turn plants weekly for even growth.



Lawn Care

- Rake out moss and debris in mild, dry spells.
- Edge lawn borders to neaten appearance.
- Prepare mower for first cut next month.

General Maintenance

- Clean and sharpen tools before the main season begins.
- Lay new paths or repair paving while growth is dormant.
- Check garden structures and replace broken supports.





Wildlife & Ponds

- Continue feeding birds with high-energy food.
- Provide fresh, unfrozen water for wildlife.
- Remove debris from ponds but avoid disturbing hibernating animals.

Paths, Fences & Tools

- Repair fences and trellis before climbers start growing.
- Check for frost damage on outdoor pots and containers.
- Organise sheds and greenhouses ready for spring.





Planning & Admin

- Finalise seed orders and plan sowing schedule.
- Organise seed packets by sowing month.
- Consider joining local seed swaps or plant fairs.

Leisure (And Finally...)

- Visit snowdrop gardens for seasonal colour.
- Force bulbs indoors for a cheerful display.
- Take time to enjoy lengthening days and signs of spring.

