

# In Your Garden

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## Autumn

Cool mornings and beautiful days. Enjoy the changing colours of the season; vibrant reds, warm bronzes, amber oranges and golden yellows. Autumn is an excellent time to do some garden planning and to think about planting new trees, shrubs and bulbs. Need some help? Call **Your Local Jim** now.

### Autumn Events:

#### Labour Day Weekend

14 March

#### St Patrick's Day

17 March

#### March Equinox

20 March

#### Melbourne International Garden Show

16-20 March

#### End of Daylight Saving

25 March

#### Good Friday

28 March

#### ANZAC Day

25 April

#### Mothers Day

8 May



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## Gutter Cleaning

**Your Local Jim** can do the job for you; both single and double storey properties.

They are professionals who have training and the required safety equipment.

It saves you time, adds to the life span of the gutters and keeps you safely on the ground.

## Trees for Autumn Colour

Now is the time to select a tree for autumn colour.

Some suggestions:

- Japanese maple (*Acer palmatum*)
- Oak (*Quercus*)
- Maidenhair tree (*Ginkgo biloba*)
- Claret ash (*Fraxinus 'Raywood'*)



## Things to Do in Autumn

### March

- A great time to plant while the soil is still warm
- Sow sweet peas on St Patrick's Day
- Feed plants, including those in pots, with a slow release fertiliser
- Rejuvenate your vegetable garden by adding compost and manure to be ready for winter veggies
- Start planting spring flowering bulbs

### April

- Feed and water camellias and citrus
- Trim lavender and rosemary, but don't cut back to the old wood or they may die!
- Fertilise roses to withstand winter
- Plant garlic

### May

- Rake up and compost leaves
- Choose bare rooted plants
- Prune hedges so they look good during the cooler months
- Watch out for snails and slugs
- Relocate plants to a more appropriate spot



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## Popular Bulbs

1. Tulips
2. Daffodils
3. Hyacinth
4. Freesias
5. Ranunculus



## Veggies to Plant

- Broccoli
- Cabbage
- Asian Greens
- Herbs
- Leek
- Spinach
- Beetroot
- Cauliflower
- Turnip
- Brussels Sprouts

## New Lawns

A lush, green lawn is a wonderful asset for any home.

April is one of the best times to establish a new lawn (the other is in spring) as the days are mild and soil is warm.

**Your Local Jim** can help you with a seed grown or instant turf lawn.

They have expertise in turf selection, site preparation, laying and after care.

## Existing Lawns

Established lawns need care and attention to keep them in optimum condition.

Now is a good time to apply fertiliser. A good quality slow release fertiliser will contain the following

- **N** - Nitrogen  
For green foliage
- **P** - Phosphorus  
For strong roots
- **K** - Potassium  
For healthy growth



## Turf Types for Melbourne

- Soft Leaf Buffalo
- Kikuyu
- Couch
- Tall Fescue
- Zyosia
- Nara Native