



# Time for a Seasonal Spruce-Up

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In South Texas, we're fortunate to have milder winter weather in November and December. That makes it the perfect time to get outdoors and tend to some landscape chores. And while you're out in your yard, it's a great time to start planning your holiday scheme, too.

I don't know about you, but after a brutal, hot summer I am so ready to spend lots of time outside tootling about my yard and making it pretty.

Here's an easy way to get started with these "Ps":

- **Planting** – fall is the ideal time in South Texas to plant trees and perennials.
- **Pruning** – late November through the middle of February is the best time to prune trees and large shrubs.
- **Planning** – think about what fared well and what didn't this past year. For example, if you've replaced turf more than twice in the past five years, now is a good time to go in another direction.
- **Provide** – fall and early winter are the most important times to provide nutrition and organic matter to plants. Use slow release products like winter fertilizer, organic blends, or compost.