WHEN TO PRUNE PLANTS IN YOUR LANDSCAPE

FRUIT TREES Late winter is best

TREES	WHEN	TREES	WHEN
Alder	Late May to June, minor pruning in spring	Ironwood	Early Spring
Amelanchier	Anytime	Ivory Silk Lilac	Only after flowering (in two weeks)
Ash	Anytime	Kentucky Coffeetree	Anytime
Birch	Late May to June, minor pruning in spring	Linden	Anytime
Black Walnut	May - June	Magnolia	Only after bloom
Butternut	Late May to June, minor pruning in spring	Maple	May - Summer is best
Catalpa	Anytime	Mountain Ash	Later winter / early spring
Crabapples	Anytime-Late Winter / Early Spring	Mulberry	Anytime
Elm	Anytime	Oak	November - March to prevent oak wilt
Ginko	Anytime	Pears	After bloom is best
Hackberry	Anytime	Plum	After bloom is best
Hawthorn	Anytime	Poplar	Late winter / early spring
Hazelnut	Anytime	Redbud	After bloom is best
Honeylocust	Late fall - Spring, before June	Willow	Late winter / early spring, less canker
Horsechestnut	Late Winter, Early spring		

SHRUBS	WHEN	SHRUBS	WHEN
Althea	Anytime - Blooms on new wood	Fothergilla	Early spring
Amelanchier	After bloom is best	Hazelnut	Early spring
Aronia	After bloom is best / or renewal prune	Honeysuckle	Early spring - renewal prune/shape anytime
Barberry	Anytime - Renewal prune in spring	Hydrangea Annabelle	To the ground each spring
Boxwood	Anytime	Hydrangea Arborescence	To the ground each spring
Buddlia	Early spring - 6" from ground	Hydrangea All Summer Beauty	Trim to live wood in spring and remove old blooms
Caryopteris	Early spring - 6" from ground	Hydrangea Endless Summer	
Clethra	Early spring	Hydrangea PG	Before new growth in spring ONLY! Prune to desired size and shape
Cotoneaster	After bloom is best	Hydrangea Paniculata	
Alpine currant	Anytime	Hydrangea Tardiva	
Diervilla	Anytime	Hydrangea Pink Diamond	
Dogwood	Anytime-renewal pruning in spring	Hypericum	Early spring
Elderberry	Early spring - severely prune	llex	After bloom, renewal prune late winter/early spring
Forsythia	After bloom in spring	Kerria	Early spring
F. Bronx & Citrus Swizzle	Anytime		

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Lilac Maple shrubs	Immediately after bloom ONLY! Anytime	Spirea Renaissance Spirea Snowmound'	After bloom After bloom
Mockorange	Immediately AFTER bloom. Can be cut severely	Spirea Van Houtteii	After bloom
Ninbark	After bloom, renewal prune if needed	Stephanandra	Anytime
Potentilla	Spring. Take out some old wood to ground	Sumac - Most varieties	Early spring is best
Privet	Anytime	Sumac Gro Low	Anytime for shape
Prunus	After bloom	Viburnum	After bloom only or renewal prune in spring
Quince	Anytime	Weigelia	After first bloom in June
Rhododendron / Azelea	Immediately after bloom - lightly	Willow	Before new growth in spring
Snowberry	Early spring, before new growth	Witchhazel	Before new growth in spring
Sorbaria	Early spring, before new growth	Woadwaxen	Shear before new growth in spring
Spirea-Small reblooming	Early spring and right after bloom	Yucca	Early spring-Leave center spike and remove damaged foliage
Spirea Grefsheim	After bloom		
Spirea Prunifolia	After bloom		

ROSES		EVERGREENS	
Rugges types	Early apring to ground	Evergroops	Early enring to hofore, July 4th
Rugosa types	Early spring to ground	Evergreens Arborvitae	Early spring to before July 4th Early spring to before July 4th
Theresa Bugnet			
William Baffin			
Red Leaf Rose	After bloom-leave new canes from base	PERENNIALS	Late fall or early spring
Setigera			
Lucida			
Landscape types	To good wood in spring / deadhead	GRASSES	Early spring ONLY!!

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