

# Getting to Know Your New St Augustine Lawn

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St. Augustine

This is the grass you're looking for if you want to cover your yard or you need a versatile option for commercial use. This warm season grass can tolerate heat and humidity and also has a tolerance for partial shade. St. Augustine establishes quickly and easily. St. Augustine has a broad blade and medium green color.









# CARING FOR YOUR ST. AUGUSTINE LAWN



# **SPRING**

#### Maintenance

In early spring, rake up any debris. Use Scotts® WeedEx™ Prevent with Halts® if needed. Four weeks later, follow with Scotts® Turf Builder® Southern Triple Action for a lush, green lawn. Fill in bare spots with Harmony® sod, available by the piece at your home improvement center.

#### Watering

During dormancy, water when there is no rain for 3-4 weeks to prevent dehydration. Especially if warm days are followed by cold ones, moisture keeps the lawn warm.

## Mowing

Mow at 2-21/2".



#### SUMMER

#### **Maintenance**

In early summer, feed with Scotts® Turf Builder® Southern Lawn Food to strengthen the lawn, helping it withstand heat and drought conditions. It slow-releases nutrients, making it the go-to fertilizer for all grass types.

#### **Watering**

Water deeply and infrequently. When the lawn appears dry, apply ¾-1" of water. A dark, bluish-gray color, foot printing, and wilted, folded or curled leaves indicate it's time to water.

#### Mowing

Mow at 2½-4", depending on how often the lawn is mowed and its condition. Mow lawn in partial shade areas at 3-4".



### **FALL/WINTER**

#### **Maintenance**

In cooler weather, use a slow-release fertilizer like Scotts® Turf Builder® Bonus® S Southern Weed & Feed, to strengthen the lawn's roots. It feeds the lawn consistently and is better for the environment.

#### **Watering**

Water until the lawn becomes dormant. Especially if warm days are followed by cold ones, moisture keeps the lawn warm.

#### Mowing

When nighttime temperatures drop below 70 degrees, mow at  $3\frac{1}{2}$ -4" to allow for more leaf surface as it goes dormant.