## November - To - Do List for Cameron County Yards and Gardens

## Time to plant:

- Flowers: anemone bulbs, calendula, geraniums, larkspur, dianthus, petunias, impatiens, ranunculus bulbs, snapdragons, stocks, calla lilies.
- **Trees:** mesquite, live oak, cedar elm, Rio Grande ash, anacua, Texas mountain laurel, brasil, chapote.
- **Shrubs:** <u>Native</u>: yellow sophora, brush holly, Texas Kidneywood, hachinal, heart-leaf hibiscus, Drummond's Turk's cap, blackbrush, Torry's croton, Texas baby-bonnets, low croton.

<u>Non-native cold tolerant</u>: Japanese boxwood, green pittosporum, variegated pittosporum, nandina, viburnum, dwarf yaupon holly, waxleaf ligustrum, red-tip photinia.

- **Vegetables:** broccoli, brussel sprouts, cabbage, carrots, mustard, onions, turnips.
- **Herbs:** anise, basil, Mexican mint marigold, mint, oregano, parsley, rosemary, sage, thyme.

## Remember:

-Harvest peppers, tomatoes, greens, citrus, avocados, pecans.

-Divide daylilies.

-Fertilize 6 to 8 week old vegetable plants with 1lb. ammonium nitrate or 2 lbs. of 16-20-0 per 50 feet of row.

-At the end of the month buy your poinsettias. There are five different color types: red, pink, yellow, white, and jingle bells which is variegated red and white.

-Plant roses.

-Collect leaves from shedding trees and bushes. Compost them for mulch.

-Watch the weather reports for possible freezing conditions.

-Collect materials to protect citrus trees and tender ornamentals from freezes.

-At the end of the month purchase Christmas cactus for blooming in December.

-Plan now for your December christmas tree.

(Information source: Successful Gardening in the Magic Valley of Texas, Dist. VI, Texas Garden Clubs, Inc. and Native Trees- and Native Shrubs- of the lower Rio Grande Valley, Texas Landscape Uses and Identification, Native Plant Project, P.O. Box 1433, Edinburg, TX.)