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Garden Happenings

Staycations

With the economy still weak, many people are saving money and staying closer to home this summer.

I love to help clients create serene and inviting backyards so they want to stay home.



Water and relaxation go hand in hand. So consider adding a water feature like a waterfall, pond, creek or a simple pot fountain. The gentle sounds of water is a great stress reliever and sets the scene for your

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August Garden Tips From Your Garden Coach

- > Apply "Cloud Cover" to Japanese Maples for protection if they are burning up due to drying winds.
- > Start feeding Azaleas, Rhododendrons and Camellias with a 0-10-10 fertilizer to stimulate bud set and root growth.
- > Plant seeds for Sweet Peas now, you'll get a nice bouquet of flowers for the fall.
- > Feed Fuchsia's with a 0-10-10 fertilizer and prune to shape if needed.
- > Fertilize all your indoor houseplants this month. If you bring some outside for a little "vacation" make sure

at- home getaway.

Extend your living space outdoors with some comfortable furniture. There are so many options these days from sectionals to comfy lounge chairs to great dining sets and puffy cushions. Make it easy to stay awhile and enjoy a cup of morning coffee or an evening glass of wine with friends.

So put the music on, fire up the grill, light some candles take a deep breath and recharge your batteries at the end of a busy day in your own back yard.



Follow some of these tips and enjoy a vacation at home any time!



Need some suggestions on turning your backyard into a vacation spot? I would love to help.

AUGUST VIDEO TIP

This month's video gives you tips on how to turn your outdoor space into your own "Staycation" at home.

My Youtube Channel: <u>lyndayourgardencoach</u>

they are in a shady spot, no afternoon sun!!

- Deep water and fertilize fruit and shade trees.
- > Fertilize your Roses. One "recipe" is ½ cup 12-12-12 Fertilizer, 1/2 cup Bone Meal, 1/2 cup Sulfur, 2 tbs Epsom salts and a sprinkle of Chicken Fertilizer.
- > Deadheading fading blooms in general, this keeps the plants in bloom longer.
- > If you plan on a coolseason Vegetable garden, you can start germinating seeds this month.
- > Crape Myrtle trees should be in their full glory now, a great time to select your favorites. They come in varying shades of pinks/purples/white and reds and bloom through the fall season.

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