WATER WISE LANDSCAPING

PERFECT GARDENING TIPS

PLANTS

- Plant your garden when temperatures are cooler and plants require less water—this is also less stressful for the plants.
- Use a thick layer of mulch (2 1/2 to 3") around landscape plants and on bare soil surfaces—this reduces evaporation, promotes plant growth and reduces weeds.
- Collect the runoff from your roof in a barrel and use it on your plants and garden.
- Arrange plants in your garden according to watering need. This is called “Hydrozoning”.
- Remove weeds from the garden—this helps cut down on excess water consumption due to plant competition.
- Don’t overreact and try to drown the brown spots in your lawn. Simply moisten the area up a bit and the grass will green up in a few days.
- Create a compost pile and use it in your yard to add needed nutrients and organic matter to the soil.
- Don’t over-water your plants. Learn how much water they need and how best to apply just the right amount.

Resources — BeWaterWise.com