



**UC Master
Gardeners**
Napa County

Welcome!

What to do in your garden in January

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Planning

- Develop garden plans for the year
- Review current seed inventory
- Review seed catalogs
- Order seeds
- Crop rotation



Tools

- Check tools for dirt and rust
- Sharpen, clean and oil as needed to protect them
- Replace cracked handles
- Any new tools needed for this years garden plan?

A good pruner is essential



Soil Management

- During wet months, do no harm to soil structure to avoid compaction
- Keep off wet soil and refrain from working wet soil
- Acquire materials for making compost, mulching and amending soil

Mulch



Weeds

- Control weeds while they are small by hand picking, hoeing, smothering with mulch or sheet mulching
- Look up: ucipm sheetmulch

Pest Control

- Watch for and remove slugs and snails
- Control peach leaf curl by spraying with a copper based fungicide if have not done yet
- Repeat in February just before bud break if rainfall is heavy

Sanitation

- A clean garden discourages snails, slugs, earwigs and disease



Frost Protection

- Cover tender citrus trees
- Do not let the cover touch the plant
- A top cover is more important than a side cover
- Well watered plants are more resistant to frost damage
- If severe frost is anticipated add heat

Plant Vegetables

- Plant starts of artichokes and asparagus
- Plant onion seedlings and garlic sets
- Plant seeds of kale, parsley, radishes and spinach directly in the ground



Harvesting

- Pick lettuce and other leaf crops



Harvesting

- Root crops



Harvesting

- Peas



Harvesting

- Brassicas
- Check occasionally for maturity especially broccoli and cauliflower from which we eat the flower bud

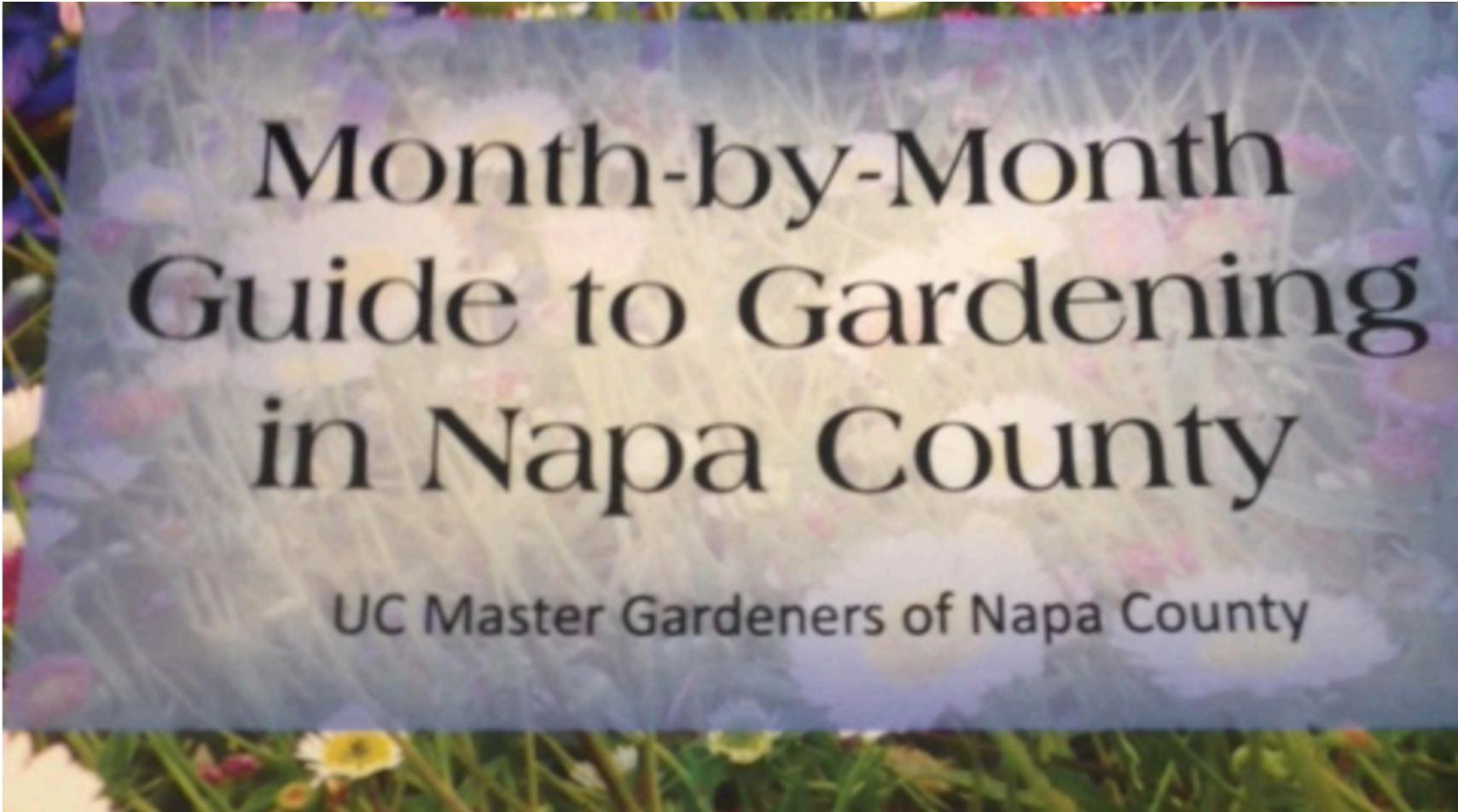
Plant trees

- Purchase and plant bare root fruit trees
- Check soil moisture before planting
- May need to create a “dry zone” by covering soil with a tarp to dry out soil before planting
- <http://homeorchard.ucdavis.edu>

Trees with mulch



New Gardening Guide



Month-by-Month
Guide to Gardening
in Napa County

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Questions?

Visit our web site UC Master Gardeners Napa County napamg.ucanr.edu

Visit “Healthy Garden Tips” on the website

- Help Desk available by email (fill out diagnosis sheet) or leave a phone message 253-4143