



MAXFIELD'S DIY GUIDE

HOW-TO DO GRASS BETTER

“Although we’d like to see edible landscapes designed with built in resource efficiency, we also understand that grassy nulls are wonderful for playful activities. Play can make you healthy, happy and more productive. So here’s how to have more sustainable grass.”



TIME REQUIRED: 1 - 2 HOURS PER WEEK



TOOLS REQUIRED: TROWEL, WATERING CAN / HOSE, MAXFIELD'S PLANTING MIX. GLOVES ARE OPTIONAL

- Identify best drought tolerant grass variety for your local climate. Ask your local garden center if you need assistance.
- Only water your grass when it needs it. Look for 1) a blue-gray tint and blades that are wilting and/or curling up 2) areas that stay depressed for a long period after stepping on / walking on the grass.
- When watering, fully saturate the root zone with a deep watering. To test saturation, dig a small patch of grass up to see if the root zone is fully saturated. Adjust length of watering.
- Check sprinkler systems to make sure they're targeting your grass and not watering your sidewalks, rocks, driveway, etc.
- When watering check for run-off. If you see run-off adjust your watering technique by setting your sprinklers to turn on and off every 5 minutes. Turning the water off for a bit will give your grass time to soak up the water you're giving it.
- Water problem areas with a deep hand watering instead of using sprinklers. Be sure to fully saturate the root zone.
- For stressed areas, treat your grass with [Maxfield's Planting Mix](#). Use a trowel to till the planting mix in with the dead grass and water in thoroughly.