



Weeding Strategies to keep your garden healthy

Avoid seeding the weeds

- Source seeds from a reputable vendor. Some seed packets can have unwanted weeds in them.
- Do not use weeds as compost
- Avoid tilling the soil after the garden has been planted unless necessary, tilling can plant weeds.

Ground Covering

- Bare soil is an invitation for weeds. Using a covering of mulch can greatly reduce the area where weeds will grow.
- A ground tarp can also be used to cover the soil.
- Cover crops can help eliminate weeds over time by taking up space in the late fall and early spring.

Herbicide

- Chemical weed killers can reduce the weeds of a garden, but they can be bad for the environment, health, and the plants you want.
- Pouring boiling water on weeds can also kill them without leaving potentially harmful substances in the soil.

Weeding and Watering

- Weeding damp or wet soil can be easier
- Try to pull weeds from the roots so they don't regrow
- Do not water empty areas of the bed.
- Plant crops as close together as recommended to minimize empty space in the garden.

