

## Cynthia Brian's Mid-Month Tips for July

- **PERUSE** bulb catalogues for the varieties of tulips and daffodils that you'll want to buy this fall for November through January planting.
- **PLANT** succulents and cactus for the most effective waterless garden.
- **DISCOVER** the benefits of Miniclover® as a lawn alternative. I have found that Miniclover® stays green when the rest of my lawn is "golden" and it is very low maintenance. Although I mow, it probably would be fine without mowing. Check out [www.outsidepride.com](http://www.outsidepride.com) for more information.
- **SPEND** a morning at your local farmers' market and load up on veggies and fruits that you are not growing in your garden.
- **HARVEST** beans, eggplants, greens and peppers before they reach their full size. Smaller vegetables are tender and tasty.
- **BEAUTIFY** your landscape with pavers or crushed granite paths. Plant creeping thyme between the stones.



Succulents and cactus create artistic and imaginative drought-resistant landscapes.



Cynthia Brian in the Shasta Daisies

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Who doesn't hear the words "summer" and "bugs" and think of a neat line of ants getting ready to trespass on plaid blanket supporting a picnic basket full of delicacies. But pests can be a serious summer problem, and can threaten more than your turkey sandwich and potato salad. Left unchecked, these summer invaders can quickly turn your tree and landscape assets into liabilities. That's why insect and disease management is such an important part of summer tree care. A keen eye is essential, and proactive monitoring goes a long way towards early detection.

So don't wait until it's too late, have a complete inspection by a Certified Arborist at Advance Tree Service and Landscaping.

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