

November Zone 9 Gardening Calendar: Week 1 – Gather & Ground



“The trees are about to show us how lovely it is to let things go.” – Unknown



Focus: Finish well – gather leaves, turn compost, clear paths, and notice what still grows.

Day		Task	Learn & Grow	Garden-to-table	Notes
1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rake leaves and start a small compost pile	How to Start Composting in Small Spaces	Roasted Root Vegetable Medley with Maple & Thyme	
2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Top beds with a light mulch of leaves	Why Leaves Make the Best Mulch	Butternut Squash Soup with Sage & Brown Butter	
3	<input type="checkbox"/>	Turn compost gently with a fork	Turning Compost: A Beginner's Guide	Golden Garden Vegetable Broth	
4	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gather sticks for kindling or simple trellis	Creative Uses for Garden Sticks and Twigs	Herb-Infused Flatbread with Rosemary & Sea Salt	
5	<input type="checkbox"/>	Check compost moisture and adjust	Balancing Moisture in Compost Piles	Creamy Garlic Mashed Potatoes with Olive Oil & Chives	
6	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pull a handful of weeds in one bed	Weed Control Tips for Autumn Beds	Autumn Harvest Salad with Roasted Pears & Pecans	
7	<input type="checkbox"/>	Take a quiet garden walk and notice changes	The Spiritual Practice of Walking Your Garden	Chamomile Tea with Honey & Evening Blessing	

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Week 2 – Tuck In & Protect



“To plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow.” – Audrey Hepburn



Focus: Gentle stewardship – plant garlic and bulbs, lay mulch, prepare frost covers. Protect tender things and trust what rests unseen.

Day	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Task	Learn & Grow 	Garden-to-table 	Notes
8	<input type="checkbox"/>	Plant garlic cloves in a sunny bed or container.	Planting Garlic in Zone 9: A Simple Guide	Garlic & Lemon Roasted Chicken with Garden Herbs	
9	<input type="checkbox"/>	Tuck spring bulbs into pots for porch color.	Easy Bulbs for Winter Porch Pots	Spring Bulb Frittata with Leeks & Garden Greens	
10	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cut frost cloth to size for one bed.	Frost Protection Basics for Beginners	Warming Lentil Soup with Carrots & Coriander	
11	<input type="checkbox"/>	Clip row cover over tender plants.	Quick Row Cover Setups for Suburban Gardens	Sheet Pan Winter Vegetables with Maple Glaze	
12	<input type="checkbox"/>	Test soil temperature with a thermometer.	How to Use a Soil Thermometer	Herbed Cream Cheese Spread with Chives & Dill	
13	<input type="checkbox"/>	Weed lightly and remove faded plants.	End-of-Season Bed Cleanup	Pumpkin Seed Snack Mix with Spices & Cranberries	
14	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write one frost concern in your garden journal.	Journaling Frost and Weather in the Garden	Mulled Spiced Cider with Citrus & Cinnamon	

November Zone 9 Gardening Calendar: Week 3 – Remember & Record



“Gratitude turns what we have into enough.” – Aesop



Focus: Reflection – pause to journal, photograph your garden, and write down lessons learned. Let memory become your mulch for next season.

Day	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Task	Learn & Grow 	Garden-to-table 	Notes
15	<input type="checkbox"/>	List three garden successes this year.	Reflecting on Garden Successes	Hearty Lentil Stew with Garlic & Garden Kale	
16	<input type="checkbox"/>	Label one container for next season.	How to Label Pots and Beds for Next Year	Homemade Trail Mix with Dried Garden Fruit & Seeds	
17	<input type="checkbox"/>	Sketch a simple garden map of fall beds.	Sketching a Simple Garden Map	Veggie Garden Stir-Fry with Ginger & Sesame	
18	<input type="checkbox"/>	Write one gratitude line about your garden.	Gratitude Journaling in the Garden	Golden Milk Latte with Turmeric, Ginger & Honey	
19	<input type="checkbox"/>	Prune a stray shoot as a letting-go act.	Pruning as a Spiritual Practice	Roasted Beet & Citrus Salad with Goat Cheese	
20	<input type="checkbox"/>	Take a photo of your garden at sunset.	Photography Tips for Capturing Your Garden	Herb-Infused Honey with Rosemary, Thyme & Lavender	
21	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pause outdoors for two minutes of stillness.	Stillness in the Garden: A Reflection	Apple Crisp with Oats & Warm Spices	

November Zone 9 Gardening Calendar: Week 4—Celebrate Simply



“In all things of nature there is something of the marvelous.” – Aristotle



Focus: Hospitality and simplicity – decorate with garden gifts, bake with herbs, and give thanks for beauty in small things.

Day	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Task	Learn & Grow 	Garden-to-table 	Notes
22	<input type="checkbox"/>	Gather cones and pods for a centerpiece.	5 Natural Decor Ideas from Pine Cones and Pods	Cranberry & Rosemary Bread Savory-Sweet Loaf	
23	<input type="checkbox"/>	Twist a rosemary sprig into a napkin ring.	6 Rosemary Crafts for the Holidays	Rosemary Shortbread Cookies Scottish Garden Twist	
24	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dry citrus slices for a garland.	Drying Citrus for Homemade Garlands	Citrus & Herb Tea with Mint, Lemon Balm & Orange Peel	
25	<input type="checkbox"/>	Clip herbs for a small bouquet.	3 Holiday Herbal Bouquets for the Home	Holiday Herbed Cheese Ball with Pecans	
26	<input type="checkbox"/>	Arrange a simple jar of greenery for the porch.	5 Foraged Porch Decor Ideas	Foraged Herb Pesto with Wild Garlic, Nettles & Basil	
27	<input type="checkbox"/>	Set the table with a foraged accent.	5 Simple Foraged Tablescapes	Wild Greens Salad with Lemon & Olive Oil	
28	<input type="checkbox"/>	Collect autumn leaves for a display.	Leaf Displays for Seasonal Beauty	Maple Roasted Carrots with Toasted Seeds	

November Zone 9 Gardening Calendar: Week 5 – Rest and Ready



*“Rest is not idleness, and to lie sometimes on the grass...
is by no means a waste of time.” – John Lubbock*



Focus: Slow down — clean tools, sort seeds, breathe deeply, and rest your body and soil. Prepare your heart for winter peace.

Day	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Task	Learn & Grow 	Garden-to-table 	Notes
29	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do a quick seed packet inventory.	How to Take a Seed Inventory	Seeded Whole Grain Bread with Flax & Sunflower	
30	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wipe down one garden tool.	Basic Tool Care for Beginners	Tuscan White Bean Soup with Kale & Rosemary	
November Reflections and December Planning					