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Organic Lawn Care Program

Traditional Lawn Care

The lawn care methods that for years have been common practice by most homeowners and lawn care professionals do more harm than good to our healthy outdoor environments. Treating lawns with chemical fertilizers and pesticides actually weakens the health of the grass plant, reduces root development and creates an unbalanced dependency on chemical inputs, actually making your turf and plants more susceptible to disease, and insect infestations over the long term.

Organic Lawn Care

Organic Lawn Care focuses its efforts on the real engine of a healthy yard, the soil. A full program includes things such as compost topdressing, compost tea applications, core aeration, natural pest control and aggressive overseeding. The benefits of an organic program include greater drought tolerance, healthy deep root development, lower long term cost and greater safety for adults, children, and pets.

It is a process, not an immediate solution, that requires intensive initial work. However, once a lawn is re-established, yearly expense are lower than those for a chemically treated lawn. We are excited to offer this service and help educate and transition our clients to a healthier alternative.

Basic Organic Program: What to Expect

Organic lawn care requires we cut grass at 3" during the summer months and only remove 1/3 of the grass blade at each cutting. Grass blades are recycled back into the lawn. Aeration and overseeding occur several times a year, as does compost topdressing. If there are serious problems, an initial soil test may be recommended. Significant improvements in turf health should be noticeable after the first year, improving even more as treatment continues. All products are completely safe to humans and animals and the lawn can be enjoyed at all times, even immediately after work has been done.

You will also begin to notice that your turf stays greener during the hot months of summer, and requires less water than a chemically treated lawn. Organic lawns are not 100% weed free, but can be virtually weed free with continued attention.

Customized programs are recommended as every landscape has its own set of unique challenges and needs. Please contact Daniel in our Enhancements Department for a consultation if you are interested in this service.