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Pruning in August

August, because of its shortening daylight, pushes plants to maturity and is a great time to prune and care for your garden, shrubs, and trees. Keep vegetables picked so they can continue producing, if cucumbers, squash, or beans have too many fruits come into maturity the plant will stop producing. Shrubs and hedges that aren't grown for flowers can be pruned back in August also. Light pruning on trees can be done for shaping and to remove crossing branches.

Take stock of the quality and sharpness of your shears. The downside of many of the shears available is that they are well made, but the materials used are not the highest quality. Blades and springs rust easily. My preference is the Felco pruners that will last a lifetime with smooth, tight, and precise action.



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