

Lawn Care



After a very long winter, temperatures are on the rise at last and the snow is a distant memory. After some tough conditions for our lawns, the grass will now be starting to grow with a vengeance.

Here are 5 steps to a gorgeous green lawn:

1. Feed

The first job - and very important! Fast growing or recovering grass needs nutrients. Your lawn will thank you for its treatment by turning a lovely emerald green and creating strong spring growth.

2. Weed

Spring is an excellent time to deal with troublesome weeds. Some of the more pernicious weeds (such as speedwell) are at their weakest at this time of year and therefore easier to get rid of. We suggest, unless your lawn is very weedy, that a spot treatment is the best course of action as you can directly target the weeds, only using the chemical where it's needed.

3. Scarify

Some lawns are looking mossy again – particularly north facing gardens that don't get much light in the

summer. Apply a moss treatment to turn the moss black, before you scarify the lawn to remove the dead moss and thatch, as this helps make sure you don't spread the problem!

4. Aerate

Some lawns have suffered over the winter with compaction – paths to sheds and compost heaps; and young footballers' 'goal areas' in particular! The best solution for this is hollow tine aeration which involves removing small cores from the lawn. Alternatively you can get your fork out and spike the lawn by making holes all over it at 6 inch intervals – you'll need some energy as this is pretty hard work! You may even want to think about asking some professionals to help you with this task!

5. Top Dress and Over Seed

Naturally some of the grass plants in your lawn die off over time. Top dressing not only helps the plants to support new shoots, but the process can help improve the quality of the top soil. Top dressing is also a key for seed, especially where there are bare patches. Sometimes (when the whole lawn is looking thin) it is helpful to over seed the entire lawn.

Finally... sit back, relax and enjoy the summer!