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## **January in the garden:**

This is the time to plant bare root roses, trees, and vines. You can still plant pansies, violas, snapdragons and fairy primroses.

### **In the vegetable garden:**

- Plant rhubarb, strawberries and cane berries. Plant seeds for peas, radishes, lettuce, and spinach.

NOTE: Beware of digging in soggy soils. All plantings should be well-drained; the new plants might rot if soil is soggy.

### **Pruning:**

- Roses, fruit trees and other perennials can be pruned this month.
- Do not prune spring flowering shrubs until after they bloom.

### **Pest control:**

- Spray horticultural oil on pruned fruit trees to control scale, mites and aphids. Thorough coverage will kill over-wintering eggs.
- Later in the month, spray neem oil on roses to control mildew, rust, and black spot. Do not apply oils unless there will be 24 hours of dry weather following application.

Be sure to clean up debris (leaves and twigs) around roses and fruit trees to help prevent disease.

Later in the month you can divide Shasta daisies, daylilies, chrysanthemums, and other perennials.