10 Tips for Gardening in a HEATWAVE

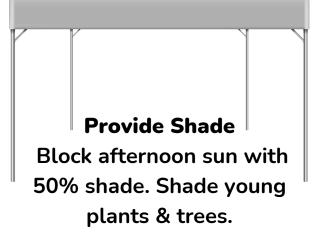
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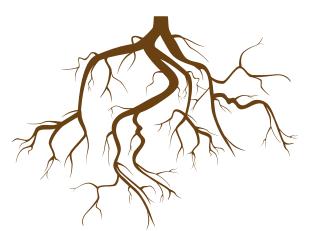


Monitor Soil Moisture Adjust watering to meet the needs of the plants.

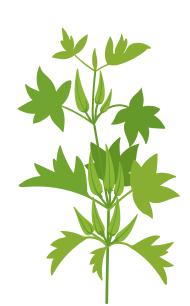


Mulch A thick layer protects plants' roots & soil.

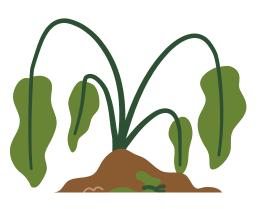




Water Deeply Deep watering encourages deep roots.



Choose Heat-Tolerant Crops Extreme heat is too much for many warm-season crops.



Don't Drown Plant's Roots Wilted plants don't always need water. Too much water will drown roots.



Avoid Fertilizer Feeding plants encourages growth & stresses already struggling plants.



Account for Wind Hot, dry wind is drying & damaging to plants and trees.



Don't Prune Pruning encourages new growth & exposes new areas to sunlight.



Pamper Containers Find the coolest area in your yard for small containers & water often.