

TREEDOG

HORTICULTURE

MONTHLY CARE GUIDE



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January

- Apply Milorganite® as needed to maintain nutrient levels.
- Monitor soil moisture during dry winter periods. Water if conditions become excessively dry.
- Inspect for any cold or wind damage.



February

- Begin Borer Protection Program (repeat every 30 days through active season).
- Apply:
 - → 32 fl oz Bifenthrin per 100 gallons of water
 - → Add penetrator/sticker per label instructions
- Spray trunk and lower scaffold branches thoroughly.
- Continue monitoring moisture levels.

March

- Prune for structure and remove any dead, damaged, or crossing limbs.
- Repeat Borer Protection Application.
- Inspect mulch depth (maintain 2–3 inches, pulled away from trunk).



April

- Apply 16-4-8 slow-release fertilizer to support active growth.
- For Ginkgo trees: Apply 2 handfuls of lime around the drip line.
- Repeat Borer Protection if within 30-day interval.
- Monitor new growth for early insect activity.

May

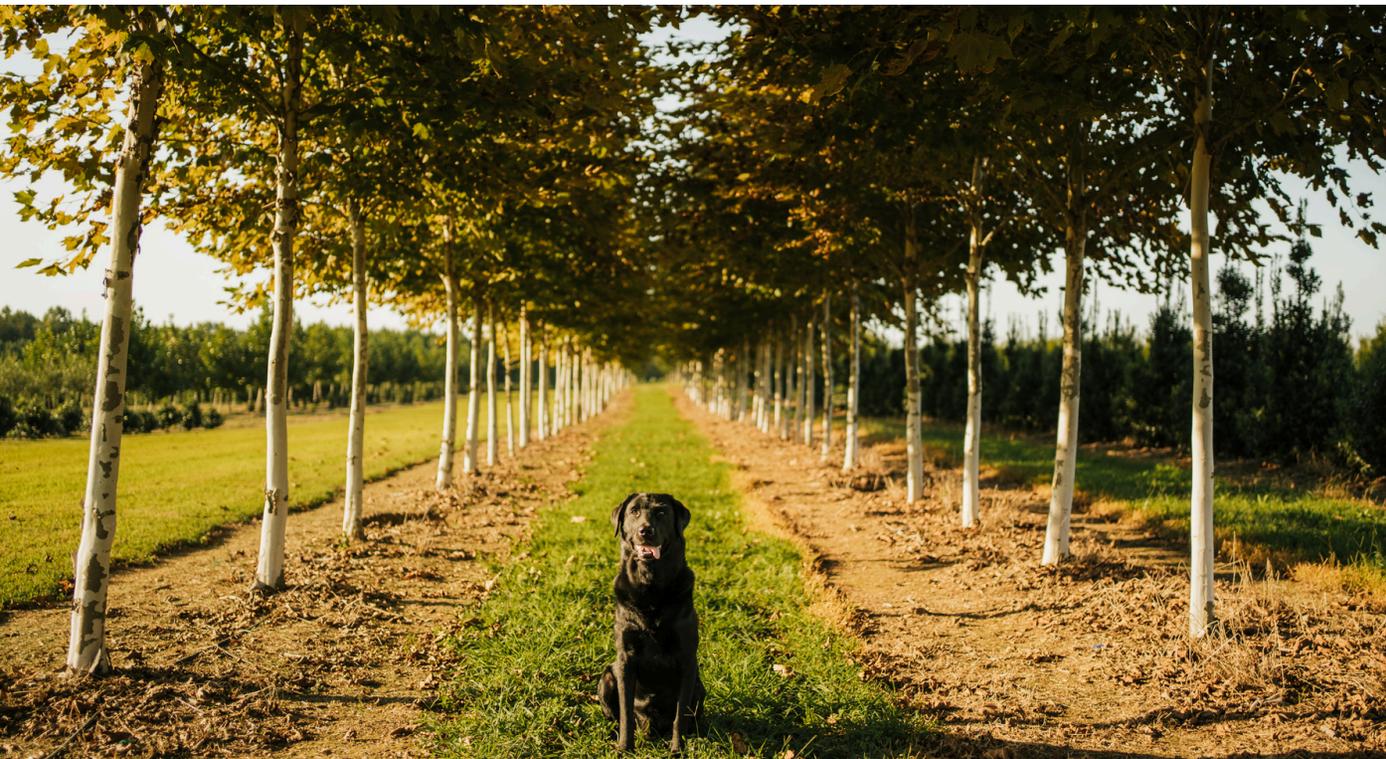
- Monitor closely for insect activity.
- Watch for deer grazing damage.
- Apply Bifenthrin at 8 oz per 100 gallons of water if needed for insect control.
- Maintain consistent soil moisture, especially for newly planted material.

June

- Continue monitoring for insects.
- Water deeply during dry periods.
- If conditions are excessively wet, fungicide applications may be necessary.
- → Apply Daconil® (or equivalent chlorothalonil product) per label instructions.
- Avoid overwatering — ensure proper drainage.

July

- Continue insect monitoring and treatment as needed.
- Water during extended dry periods (deep, infrequent soakings are preferred).
- Inspect for signs of heat stress (wilting, leaf scorch).



August

- Water frequently during extended dry periods.
- → If no measurable rainfall occurs, provide deep watering multiple times per week as needed.



September

- Maintain consistent moisture as temperatures begin to moderate.
- Avoid over-fertilization late in the season.
- Inspect for any structural issues before dormancy.

October

- Continue monitoring soil moisture.
- Deep water before first frost if conditions are dry.
- Avoid heavy pruning.

November

- Expect leaf drop on deciduous trees.
- Install or reinforce deer protection where necessary.
- Inspect trees before winter weather sets in.

December

- Collect and submit soil samples for nutrient analysis.
- Review soil test results and prepare fertilization plan for upcoming season.
- Minimal watering required unless winter drought occurs.

