

# Prep Blog Review: Gardening Tips For Summer

Gardening and self-sufficiency go hand-in-hand and summer is my favorite time of the year when it comes gardening. From watering or dealing with the summer heat, to pest control and weeds, there are many things to do in the garden during the summer if you want to develop healthy, productive crops.

With these things in mind, for this week's Prep Blog Review I've gathered five articles on this topic. If you have other gardening tips for summer, share them in the comment section below.

## 1. Start Gardening Differently



"Preparedness and self-sufficiency usually turns to food production at some point. Whether we're old hats or just getting started, there are some set standards that tend to take place in the veggie garden. Sometimes they're very well

deserved. Sometimes, though, changing things up can make a difference in our ability to produce foods.

Small scale or large, when it comes to the veggies, doing things differently can buy us the time and space to get started or expand our harvests."

Read more on [The Prepper Journal](#).

## 2. Watering The Garden: How To Avoid The 3 Most Common Mistakes

"When it comes to watering the garden, how, when and how much you water makes all the difference! Although watering

vegetable plants can seem like a trivial task, there really is a science behind proper watering techniques.



Bad watering habits can damage plants and reduce harvest levels dramatically.

Of course, watering needs vary based on location and the specific plants grown. But no matter where you live, there are a few simple rules of watering that can really help power a successful garden.

Here are 3 of the most common mistakes folks make when watering the garden, and how to avoid them!"

Read more on [Old World Garden Farms](#).

### **3. Learn How To Water Your Garden Wisely**



"As a gardener, you will learn the hard way that suitable irrigation is crucial for developing productive crops. As summer sets in it is important to water your garden regularly to keep your plants healthy. More importantly, you need to learn how to conserve water and make

the best decision for your garden.

Keeping your plants well irrigated aids in healthy foliage growth and the production of large yields. During heat waves, it is crucial to water your garden following a precise schedule."

Read more on [Prepper's Will](#).

#### 4. 5 Everyday Items You Can Use To Fertilize Your Garden

Your options for garden fertilizer are either Miracle Grow Plant Food (whose Amazon page includes a legal disclaimer that their phosphorus-containing fertilizer may cause harmful water runoff), or organic fertilizer. Easy choice.



If you're reading this, then organic is probably very important to you. You aren't okay with a little pesticide on your salad or using spinach picked from farms in China with questionable regulations. Instead, you want clean produce.

Read more on [Urban Survival Site](#).

#### 5. The Ultimate Guide To Natural Pest Control In The Garden



"Are you looking for natural pest control options for the garden? Like many home gardeners, I started growing my own fruits and vegetables in part to avoid the toxic chemicals used on most commercial produce. After all, why put in all that time and effort to eat poison? It didn't make sense to me.

Just walking down the chemical isle in the hardware store, i.e., the "garden helper area" or whatever they call it, gives me a headache. Sometimes I purchase certain organic pest

control products, but often you can get rid of garden pests with what you have on hand.”

Read more on [Common Sense Homesteading](#).



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