

## **PRUNING TIMES FOR CLEMATIS**

When is the best time to prune a Clematis? This all depends upon what variety of Clematis you have. Clematis are broken down into three different pruning groups. These groups vary by when you need to prune the plant, and how much you need to prune off the plant. The groups are listed either numerically (1, 2, 3) or alphabetically (A, B, C).

The three groups are:

**Group 1 (A) - PLANTS THAT BLOOM ON OLD WOOD**

Cut back damaged wood after the plant blooms in spring. You can also prune tips to keep vine under control. You can cut 3' to 5' from the ground, if desired.

**Group 2 (B) - PLANTS THAT BLOOM IN LATE SPRING AND RE-BLOOM IN SUMMER**

Thin out plant, prune back tips, and remove broken and damaged branches in the spring.

**Group 3 (C) - PLANTS THAT BLOOM ON NEW WOOD**

If desired, prune the whole plant to about 1' above the ground, leaving 2 to 4 sets of buds per stem, each spring.

<u>VARIETY</u>	<u>GROUP</u>
Avante-Garde	3 (C)
Confetti	3 (C)
Comtesse de Bouchaud	3 (C)
Elsa Spath	2 (B)
Ernest Mackham	3 (C)
General Sikorski	2 (B)
Guernsey Cream	2 (B)
Henryi	2 (B)
Jackmanii	3 (C)
Josephine	2 (B)
Liberation	2 (B)
Multi Blue	2 (B)
Nelly Moser	2 (B)
Niobe	3 (C)
Pink Fantasy	3 (C)
Polish Spirit	3 (C)
Ramona	2 (B)
Royal Velvet	2 (B)
Sugar Candy	2 (B)
Sweet Autumn	3 (C)
The President	2 (B)
Vesuvius	3 (C)
Ville de Lyon	3 (C)
Warsaw Nike	3 (C)

