

## Tips for the Summer Heat

Summer in the Sun City continues as do the high temperatures. Be sure to stay hydrated, especially if you are active and spending time outdoors. As we continue to experience a river drought, water conservation is more important than ever. The following tips will help you enjoy the season and save water too!



### Stay Cool in the Pool

There are many ways to enjoy the summer and beat the heat. Visit one of El Paso's aquatic centers or community pools. If you have a private pool, lower the pool water level to reduce water loss from splash out, and make sure to use a cover when it is not in use to limit evaporation.



### Monsoon Season Savings

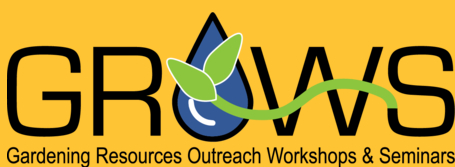
El Paso receives nearly all of its yearly rainfall (about 9 inches) between July and September. Turn off your irrigation system if it's raining, and leave it off for a few days. Once or twice a week watering may be sufficient this time of year. Also, consider a barrel to catch the water draining from your roof, and reuse it on thirsty trees or bushes.



### Limit Lawns

Tired of watering and mowing your lawn? Consider removing grass from one of your irrigation zones or remove unused grass areas and convert them to a desert oasis by planting native desert shrubs and plants. Be sure to check out [EIPasoDesertBlooms.org](https://EIPasoDesertBlooms.org) for water efficient landscaping ideas.

## Upcoming Master Gardener GROWS Workshop



El Paso Water is excited to collaborate with El Paso County Master Gardeners Association to offer landscape-themed workshops. Master Gardeners are considered the leading experts for everything related to landscapes. Go to <https://txmg.org/el Paso/> to learn more.

## Upcoming Workshops

September 10 - DIY Self-Watering Indoor Herb Gardens  
Whole Foods Community Mezzanine (100 Pitt St.)  
11 a.m. - noon



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