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OVERVIEW

Start With a Good Lawn Maintenance Schedule to Prevent Wild Violets

Preventing Wild Violet growth can be tricky, but maintaining a healthy lawn by following a [lawn maintenance schedule](#) is an important first step in weed growth prevention. Proper fertilization and a healthy turf will help your lawn fight future Wild Violet infestations with each new season.

STEP 1 Find the Right Balance with Soil Amendments and Fertilizers

Video Instructions



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jem8OAg0xc>

To help your lawn defend against Wild Violet weeds it is important to note your soil's pH and nutrient levels. This measurement of chemical levels in the soil under your lawn can be found by using a home soil test kit. The experts at your local Extension Office can help you interpret the results from this test and make the best decisions from there.

Wild Violet weeds grow best in soil with a low pH level, but most turf grasses thrive with a higher soil pH level. Considering this, you can use [soil amendments](#) to adjust the levels of your lawn to discourage future Wild Violet growth and help your turf grow even stronger.

Products needed for Step 1



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Soil Kit

\$37.39

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STEP 2 Follow Good Cultural Practices to Keep Wild Violet from Coming Back



Pre-emergent weed killers are rarely labeled for use against Wild Violet because its thick rhizome root network makes chemical prevention difficult. **But carefully tending your lawn can offer you another type of defense against Wild Violet weeds.**

Maintaining a healthy lawn will help your turf grow thick and strong. Hearty turf grasses naturally offer a better defense against invasion by unwanted weeds. Following good mowing practices--including never cutting more than the top third of the blades of grass in one mow--can help encourage lawn health as well.

Keep an eye out for standing water around your lawn. Making sure that you allow for proper drainage from your yard will help avoid the damp spots that Wild Violet and other weeds favor.

[Aeration](#) of your lawn can eliminate soil compaction to further improve drainage. This is another health boost for your turf.

The better maintained your lawn, the less likely you are to see Wild Violet and other unwanted weeds among the grass.

Learn how to recognize Wild Violet weeds with our [Wild Violet Weed Identification Guide](#) before you decide on the best plan to control Wild Violet and other lawn weeds.