

# WATERING GUIDE FOR DRIP IRRIGATION

Drip irrigation uses a network of plastic flexible pipes to carry a low flow of water under low pressure to plants. Generally, this pipe is installed at the soil surface and then covered with rock or mulch.



## SAVE WITH DRIP IRRIGATION

- Drip irrigation is 90 to 95% efficient while a sprinkler is only about 65% efficient.
- With a drip system, water is applied right where it is needed at a slower rate, so it can be absorbed into the soil. As with any irrigation system, it's only as efficient as the water schedule used.



## SCHEDULING YOUR DRIP SYSTEM

- Schedule your drip system to run one day a week during April, May, September and October. Run it twice a week from June through August, if required.
- Set the run time between 45-60 minutes. After watering, check the soil moisture at the root (least 6 inches deep) and adjust the run time if needed.
- Check the drip system twice a month to make sure it's running properly.
- For a newly installed landscape, water three days a week for around 30 minutes and monitor soil moisture daily.



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