

*Summer
 Lawn Watering*

In most regions, maintaining a lush, green lawn through summer hinges on watering. A very general rule of thumb is to provide lawns with 1-1.5 inches of water per week, from irrigation or rainfall. A good way to check moisture penetration is to probe the soil with a screwdriver or similar object. How often you water will vary based on where you live and what type of soil you have. Typical clay soil in our area absorbs water slowly; can cause runoff when water is applied too quickly and holds water longer. One inch of water typically penetrates about 4 - 5 inches. Also, different grass types require different amounts of water. For example a healthy lawn of Tall Fescue has a deep root system and the highest drought tolerance of cool-season turf types. Kentucky Bluegrass consistently goes dormant during drought, reviving when rainfall resumes. Warm-season grasses, such as Zoysiagrass, St. Augustinegrass, Bermudagrass, and Centipedegrass, thrive in warm conditions, developing deep root systems that make them better able to withstand drought. In general, warm-season grasses require 20% less water than cool-season types. Got additional questions? Need an irrigation system installed? Give our office a call. **We're open as an essential business and eager to help our clients.**



Current Project

This month's feature project is a complete make-over of a portion of the original design we produced for this property. The original homeowner opted to have another contractor install our design to a sort and it had deteriorated considerably over time. As is often the case, our scope of work centered on creatively dealing with the drainage of the front of the house and driveway along with access and circulation. We removed the old plantings and re-worked the splash beds and creek beds giving them greater definition and character with larger stone and new plantings. The parking area was enlarged a little and the step stone walks were raised. A fresh coat of river gravel for the parking area provided the final touch of Naturescapes greatness. Many thanks to our friends from Charlotte for another great project!!

