

Ethical and Easy Lawns

Therefore strive that your actions day by day may be beautiful prayers. —'Abdu'l-Bahá



Lawn chemicals are very toxic and especially harmful to children and pets. Gasoline lawn mowers cause air pollution and emit carbon dioxide that contributes to global warming. Irrigation requires large amounts of water. There are creative ways to tackle these problems: Reduce the size of your lawn, and plant a vegetable garden, berry bushes, or perennial flowers. Let your lawn naturalize: Without herbicides, you will be able to enjoy an increasing diversity of plants and flowers. The more diverse an ecosystem is, the more resilient it is. Hence you will not need to water or fertilize (instead, leave short grass clippings as nutrients), and you can enjoy

the diversity of colors that 'Abdu'l-Bahá describes in a beautiful garden. Your own children and your neighbor's cat will thank you, as well as pollinators, other wildlife, and future generations.