



PRUNING CLEMATIS

PRUNING GROUP 1 (Flowering between March and May)

- **Flowers on last season's growth**
- Do not prune unless the plant has dead shoots or is becoming too large
- If pruning is necessary, it should be done in **March** but there will be fewer flowers in the year after pruning

Varieties such as – **alpina** and **montana**

PRUNING GROUP 2 (Flowering between May & June and August & September)

- **Flowers on last season's growth**
- Needs light pruning in early spring as the buds begin to swell
- Remove any dead shoots, keeping the plant tidy
- After May / June flowering, cut back long shoots down to approx. **2ft (60cm)**, this will encourage flowering again in August / September
- Do not prune again until early next spring

Varieties such as **Dr. Ruppel**

PRUNING GROUP 3 (Flowering from July onwards)

- Prune as buds begin to swell in early spring
- Prune down to **18" (45cm)** to keep plant tidy and encourage flowering

Varieties such as **Ville de Lyon** and **Arabella**