Using Your Grass Clippings

Today on Gardening in a Minute: using your grass clippings.

What do you do with your grass clippings? Grass clippings are a valuable energy source because they contain nutrients that plants need.

When you mow your lawn, just let grass clippings remain on the grass. They’ll slowly break down on their own, saving you time and energy.

Plus, you’ll reduce your fertilizer needs, since the decomposing clippings will add nutrients to your lawn. And as long as you mow on a regular basis, grass clippings left on the lawn will not contribute to the buildup of thatch.

If you don’t want to leave the grass clippings on the lawn, add them to your compost pile or use them as mulch for your landscape plants.

So recycle by reusing your yard waste!

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