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Dividing Perennials

Today on Gardening in a Minute: dividing perennials.

The three main reasons for dividing perennials are to control the size of the plants, to help rejuvenate them, and to increase their number.

Dividing and replanting keeps rapidly spreading perennials under control. It also reinvigorates old plants, keeping them actively growing and blooming freely.

Simply dig up the plants and shake off the soil. It will be apparent where to separate the plants into smaller units, each having roots and leaves.

The best time to divide plants is after the blooming season or during milder times of the year. Perennials that are frozen back to the ground can be lifted, divided, and reset at the onset of spring.

Dividing perennials is an easy and inexpensive way to gain additional plants for your garden or to share.

For more information about perennials and many other gardening topics, contact your county Extension office or visit Gardening in a Minute dot com.

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