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Winterizing Fig Trees

We strongly recommend giving figs winter protection in areas colder than zone 7.

NOTE: This is part 9 in a series of 10 articles. For a complete background on how to grow fig trees, we recommend starting from the beginning.

Winterizing Tips

- After the leaves fall, before severe weather arrives, wrap the branches with several layers of paper or burlap.
- Tie them together in a bundle, as tight as possible without breaking them.
- A final layer of tarpaper, oilcloth or plastic film should then be wrapped around and secured. (Make sure the top is closed so water can't enter.)
- Remove the wrapping in spring just before new growth begins.

An alternate method is to grow them in large tubs or pots and move them into a cool frost-proof cellar or outside building over winter.

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