



Marigold Nurseries
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Planting Tips for Bulbs

1. Spring flowering bulbs thrive full to partial sun. Good drainage is also key for most bulbs, so avoid placing the bulbs in soggy areas of your garden.
2. Once you have chosen the spot to where you want to plant your bulbs dig a hole or a trench and place bulbs at their proper depth. Add bonemeal to the bottom of the hole to ensure good root growth. Bulbs are also more effective when planted in groupings. For small garden groups of 6-12 bulbs are great and in larger gardens 12-24 bulbs per group are very effective.
3. Make sure to follow the planting depth and spacings for each bulb. The package gives the details for each bulb variety.
4. Cover bulbs with soil and water. When the ground cools significantly you can mulch the surface with compost, well rotted manure, bark chips or shredded leaves. Fall rain should be enough to keep your bulbs watered.
5. Once your bulbs start to show and are an inch high fertilize with a bulb food.

Keep the Squirrels Away

Squirrels can tell where bulbs have been planted because of the loose soil. So when planting make sure to plant deeply and pack the soil down firm. Throw a couple leaves on top and hope for the best.

If this does not work you can place hardware cloth down and when the bulbs start to emerge remove it.

After Care

Once your bulbs have finished blooming remove the dead flower and let the leaves turn brown. This will let them store energy back into the bulb for next year, giving you a stronger bulb for the future.