



Planting Bulbs

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- The best time to plant spring bulbs depends on where you live. Ideally, wait until the soil temperature is below 60°F. As a general guide, plant in November to early December in California mild climate urban areas (zones 8 and 9). To discourage gophers, add a handful of sharp gravel to the planting hole or plant bulbs in chicken wire. Don't mulch where rodents are a problem.
- Layer two different species, such as crocus and tulips in the same bed for exciting color combinations. Plant crocus first, then add enough soil to achieve the proper depth for the tulips. Plant the tulips between the crocuses.
- Set the bulbs in a planting bed or in separate planting holes with their roots or basal plate downward. If you are unsure which part of the bulb is the bottom, plant the bulb on its side.
- Plant a variety of bulbs to extend the flowering season and to have a good selection of color.