

spring flowers

FLOWER/ FOLIAGE	BULB/CORM OR SEED	PERENNIAL OR ANNUAL	WHEN TO PLANT	SPECIAL NOTES
Tulips	Bulb	I treat them as annuals but for home gardening purposes can be left in the ground for following years.	Fall	Experiment with more interesting varieties. Like doubles and parrot tulips.
Daffodils	Bulb	I treat them as annuals but for your own purposes can be left in the ground	Fall	Try white with peaches, and double creams instead of traditional yellow
Allium	Bulb	Left in the ground	Fall	Super easy to grow!
Ranunculus	Corm	Annual – corms must be lifted, and dried down for storage	Very early Spring – a pre-soak of the corm is necessary prior to planting. (Have frost tolerance)	The earlier you can get them in the ground the better as they prefer cool temperatures. Keep cutting them to keep them blooming. Once temperatures get too hot they will die back and stop producing.
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Peonies	Root	Perennial	Fall planting is actually recommended but spring will work.	Let plants establish 4 – 5 years before cutting. Greens make amazing foliage. Cut when the buds are just starting to crack or even before – called the marshmallow stage
Delphinium	Started from seed	Perennial	Also can be planted in spring or fall	Cut when the spikes are open 1/3 rd of the way up
Spirea	Shrub	Shrub	Fall or spring planting as long as they can establish before winter	Make a unique garden style foliage with white flowers – beautiful for cutting!
Mock Orange Trees	Shrub/tree	Shrub/tree	Fall or spring planting as long as they can establish before winter	Make a unique garden style foliage with white flowers – beautiful for cutting!
Lilacs	Shrub/tree	Shrub/tree	Fall or spring planting as long as they can establish before winter	Amazing scent – not super long lasting but cutting up the branch will help with vase life



early summer & frost hardy flowers

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Larkspur	Seed	Annual but will often seed itself	Early spring – as soon as the ground is workable	Larkspur is a cool loving plant and is quite frost hardy. Direct seed is usually recommended
Snap Dragons	Seed	Annual	Early spring	Because the seed is so small it is easier to seed indoors 8 weeks before last frost. Again very frost hardy. We plant out by end of April!
Poppies	Seed	Annual – may seed itself	Early spring	Prefers a cooler growing location.
Yarrow	Seed	Perennial	Plant out late spring – around frost free date	Spreads like a weed!
Bachelor buttons	Seed	Annual	Quite frost tolerant	The more you cut the more they will bloom – also a self seeder
Nigella	Seed	Annual (will also reseed itself)	Early Spring	Seed pods make interesting additions to arrangements



summer loving flowers

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Strawflower	Seed	Annual	Pre-start is recommended	Makes perfect flowers for drying
Eryngium	Seed	Perennial	Pre-start is recommended	Interesting textured perennial
Queen Anne's Lace	Seed	Annual – but reseeds itself	Direct seed or pre-start	Comes in white and a neat burgundy color called Dara!
Scabiosa	Seed	Annual and Perennial varieties	Pre start recommended	Amazing color selections
Lisianthus	Seed	Annual	Early pre-start is necessary	Amazing cut flower – looks just like a rose!
Phlox	Seed	Annual	Pre start is recommended	Great vase life in the prettiest colors



Late summer and fall flowers

FLOWER/ FOLIAGE	BULB/CORM OR SEED	PERENNIAL OR ANNUAL	WHEN TO PLANT	SPECIAL NOTES
Cosmos	Seed	Annual	Direct seed after last frost	New unique colors are so pretty
Amaranthus	Seed	Annual	Direct seed after last frost	Awesome for texture/re-seeds itself
Zinnias	Seed	Annual	Workhorses of the summer heat garden	Check out the new unique colors
Sunflowers	Seed	Annual	Workhorses of the summer heat garden	Cut flowers when petals just begin to unfurl.
Green Mist Queen Anne's Lace	Seed	Annual – but re-seeds itself	Direct seed or pre-start	A late variety of Queen Annes Lace
Dahlias	Tuber	Annual – must dig up and store over winter	For a touch earlier blooms you can pot them up – they are day length sensitive so will only bloom a bit earlier	Amazing texture and colors selections
Ninebark	Shrub	Shrub	Spring or Fall	Makes great deep toned foliage
Kale	Seed	Annual – seed early summer for fall cutting	Frost will enhance coloring	Unique for bouquets

