## tips

- Plant your Allium bulbs into groups of odd numbers:
  This will create a more dynamic and natural look in your garden!
- If the weather is particularly dry during the growing season, Alliums will appreciate extra watering while in leaf!

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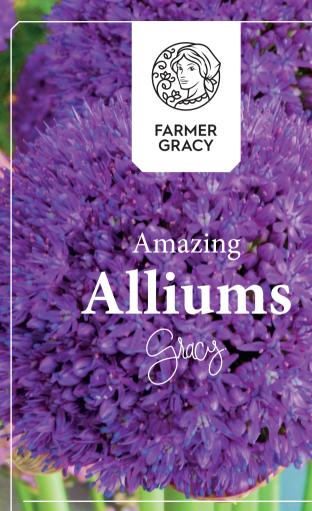


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## General info

Alliums bridge the gap between Spring and Summer when your garden is short on colour. Even if it weren't for this nifty trick, you'd want to grow them. The strikingly geometrical flowerheads and often intense colours of Alliums ensure that they make a bold statement in any garden. Strange though it may seem, they are actually relatives of onion and garlic, but there's nothing oniony about the sweet scent most varieties' flowers give off. Allium varieties range from smallish, cute, and colourful plants to tall stemmed stunners.

## A few planting **basics**

Alliums will flower much later than most of your spring flowering bulbs, but that's to your advantage. Step one is to choose a sunny spot. Although they're un-fussy and easy to grow, getting Alliums off to the best start possible pays off. Compost is perfect for improving almost any soil's texture and structure, so start by digging plenty of compost in to your beds.



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## Planting instructions

• Plant in Autumn for late Spring flowers

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- Plant at about four times the depth of the bulb's diameter
- Smaller Alliums are spaced 8-10cm apart, larger ones need 20cm
- Ensure that the pointed end of the bulbs face upwards

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