

Cosmos Planting Guide

About Cosmos

Cosmos are annual flowers with colorful, daisy-like flowers that sit atop long, slender stems. Blooming throughout the summer months, they attract birds, bees, and butterflies to your garden.

When to Plant

Plant in spring, after the threat of frost has passed. Cosmos roots can be grown as a perennial in Zones 7 and warmer.

Where to Plant

Plant in fertile, well-draining soil that gets full sun exposure. These cosmos are often planted in containers, or along borders.

How to Plant

Dig a hole the size of the root and install. Backfill soil until it is even with the top of the Cosmos root.

Caring for Cosmos

Water deeply once a week, and allow the soil to dry out between waterings. Overwatering can cause damage to your cosmos roots. They also benefit from deadheading as soon as your flowers die. In climates warm enough for cosmos to grow as perennials, they should be mulched heavily in winter months. Cosmos grown in containers should be brought indoors during the winter.