



About Crocus

Crocuses are hardy plants belonging to the Amaryllis family. They are some of the first flowers to pop their heads up through the winter snow. You can expect to see crocuses blooming in February and lasting through around March. They're classified as hardy perennials, which means that they come back every year and do well in colder conditions.

When to Plant

Plant in fall, 6 to 8 weeks before a hard frost is expected and when soils are below 60 degrees F. This is usually between September and October in the north, and October and November in the south.

Where to Plant

Crocuses prefer sunny spots, but will tolerate some filtered shade.

How to Plant

The standard planting recommendations are 2 or 3 inches both apart and deep. If planting a large area, we recommend digging light trenches and spacing the crocus bulbs in compact rows. The bulb (or corm) should be pointy side up and root side down.

Once placed in the soil, add some fertilizer to the bulbs. It's also helpful to water moderately until frost. If your soil is reasonably rich and well-drained, these final steps are not required. But, crocus bulbs will usually reward a little "TLC" in the fall with bigger and bolder blooms come spring.

Caring for Crocus

Once planted, they require little or no maintenance or upkeep.