



# GROWING AMARYLLIS



## POTTING



Choose a pot with a drainage hole, that will allow 1-2 inches of clearance between the sides of the bulb and the pot. Plant the bulb so that the top 1/3 of the bulb is above the level of the potting soil. The soil level should be 1 inch below the rim of the pot. Firm the soil around the bulb and roots so that there are no air bubbles around the roots. After planting, water thoroughly with warm water.

## LIGHT & WATER

Place the pot in a warm location. Water thoroughly with warm water, and take care not to water into the top of the bulb. The soil should only be slightly moist to the touch, and should never be soggy. When shoots appear, place into a warm, bright location. When flowering, move into indirect light to prolong bloom.

## POST BLOOM CARE

After your amaryllis finishes blooming cut the flower stalk(s) to the base. The leaves will continue to nourish the bulb and should not be removed at this time. Return the plant to bright light and water regularly. Fertilize once or twice a month with an all-purpose fertilizer.

## REFLOWERING

The potted bulb must be kept healthy by regular watering and monthly fertilizing. In the fall, place your plant in a cool spot (around 50 degrees) for about 6 weeks. Water sparingly, but do not allow to dry out completely. After the cooling period, move your amaryllis to a warm, sunny location. Keep the soil moist but not soggy. Once the bulb begins to grow, it will take 6 to 8 weeks to flower.

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