



RANUNCULUS GROWING GUIDE



Common Name: RANUNCULI

Botanical Name: Ranunculus asiaticus **Family Name:** Ranunculaceae

Plant Type: Bulb **Size:** 40-60cm H x 10cm W

Planting Time: Autumn **Planting Width:** 15cm **Depth:** 4cm

Flowering: Spring **Positioning:** Full Sun. Shelter from the wind recommended

General Information: Suitable for all climates except tropical. Very hardy, will grow in most conditions. One Ranunculi corm can produce more than 20 flowers. To keep blooms coming for a longer period, regularly cut off any dead and dying blooms. These little bulbs will keep your garden and house in flowers for many weeks. Ranunculi have wonderful rich and bright colours, and for picking as a cut flower they are hard to beat. They prefer to be massed in a sunny position.

Watering: Water well after planting; soak weekly until shoots appear, then only to supplement rainfall. Prefer a well drained soil.

Fertilising: Light organic or chemical fertiliser at planting time. Liquid fertilise once buds start to form.

Lifting & Storage: Best treated as annual or bi-annuals. New bulbs planted every 1 to 2 years

Soil: Well drained.

Pests: Bait snails when buds appear. Mildew can be a problem in autumn.

Tips: Plant with claws facing downwards. To kick-start the growing process soak the bulbs in a bowl of water for around an hour before planting.