## Chessington Care & Advice

## **Bedding Plants**

Decide what colour schemes and plant combinations you want, considering the area you want to fill. Think about whether you want to create instant effective patches of vibrant colour.





If possible start planting when it's not too hot or in the evening.

Plant in large drifts or clumps to create impressive splashes of colour. Planting in straight lines is best avoided, it doesn't show off the flowers to their best advantage.

After planting, sprinkle a general fertiliser or bonemeal lightly around the plants and water again thoroughly.



Care

If you want to keep bedding plants with large flowers such as Geraniums flowering over a long period, pick off any dead blooms to encourage new flower buds.

Feed every one or two weeks with liquid fertiliser.

Keep the area between the plants free of all weeds as they will starve the plants of nutrients and water and may smother the plants.

If bedding plants become infected with greenfly they should be sprayed with insecticide, preferably on a windless evening.

Slugs and snails can be controlled with one of many remedies available in our shop.

This guide has been put together to give a brief outline of the care needed. If you require any further information, please ask our plant advisors who will be very happy to help.





