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Care & Advice

Summer Bedding Plants

For instant colour all year round, flowering bedding plants are the answer. They are useful for filling in gaps between plants and shrubs that aren't fully grown.



How to Plant

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.



Summer Colour

Here is a selection which should normally be planted when the danger of frost has passed, usually from end of May.

Fuchsia: Flowers July-early October. White, pink, red, purple, includes bush, trailing and upright types. (30-60cm).

Begonia semperflorens: Flowers June-October. Red, white and pink flowers in profusion. (15-25cm).

Marigold: Flowers June-October. Yellow and orange flowers. (25-40cm).

Lobelia: Flowers all summer. Blue, red, white, mauve, includes trailing and upright types. (15cm).

Petunia: Flowers all summer. Large trumpet shaped flowers in a wide range of colours. Good in dry areas. (25-50cm).

Geranium: Flowers all summer. Easy to grow and drought tolerant and available in upright or trailing types.

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.

