

## **Timely Tip for November Gardeners from Calloway's Nursery: Planting Spring Flowering Bulbs in Fall**

Spring flowering bulbs are such a welcoming sight after those long Winter months. Many of the Spring flowering bulbs require an artificial “chilling” process before they can be planted. This is generally accomplished by placing the bulbs in a paper bag in the vegetable crisper of your refrigerator for six to eight weeks prior to planting. However, Calloway's Nursery is offering to do that for you. We have many varieties of **Tulips**, **Hyacinths** and **Narcissus** which you can purchase from our stores now and pick-up in December ready to plant. You do not need to tie up your refrigerator space-let us “chill” your bulbs for you!

After the chilling requirements, select a well drained flower bed for planting. When planting bulbs, the general rule is to plant them at a depth three times the diameter of the bulb. Use **Calloway's Blood & Bone Meal** at planting for added nutrients. Plant the bulbs pointed end up, cover with soil and water thoroughly. For the best display, plant bulbs in clusters or uneven numbers. Pansies and Alyssum are especially useful in interplanting beds of Spring flowering bulbs. As the bulbs emerge and bloom, the Pansies and Alyssum are providing a lovely ground cover beneath them. Once the bulbs' foliage dies down, the annuals are still going strong providing color. Remember to apply two to three inches of mulch on top of any new plantings.

For more information on bulbs, visit any of our Calloway's stores and talk with one of our Texas Certified Nursery Professionals. To join our Garden Club and receive other helpful tips, visit [www.mytexasgarden.com](http://www.mytexasgarden.com) .