

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## HOW DO I WINTERIZE THEM?

You may want to mulch your foxtail lily with straw or other suitable material, especially during the first few winters to protect its tender tubers. Once the plant is established, it becomes quite hardy. Foxtail lilies can be lifted once overcrowding has occurred. Carefully divide and replant it elsewhere.

## WHEN DO YOU REMOVE THE SPENT FLOWERS?

Because they lose their leaves after flowering, it is best to only remove spent flowers in early spring. This way you will know where the roots are and avoid stepping on them or digging them up inadvertently.

## MINE DID NOT BLOOM FIRST SEASON?

They do not bloom the first season. They will begin blooming during late spring to early summer of the second season.

## ALL OF THE LEAVES HAVE WITHERED AWAY?

After blooming the leaves will naturally wither away. All of the energy goes into the root zone below soil. To avoid stepping on root, do not cut away spent flower until early spring after mulching beds.

## HOW DO I PLANT THESE FUNNY LOOKING ROOTS?

For best results, make a wide, shallow hole. Take extreme care when planting this root as it does not like being disturbed. The tuberous roots are quite brittle and should be handled carefully. Mound the soil up underneath the bottom so the roots spread outward and downward. Cover these roots and top crown with 2 inches of soil.

# FIRST THINGS FIRST...

When your plant arrives from Roberta's, remove from the shipping box immediately.

Keep bareroot(s) or bulb(s) (which usually means no leaves), inside packing material until ready to plant into ground or container. Put in a cool, protected area and plant as soon as possible. For extended storage time, place in refrigerator for up to 3 weeks.

When ready to plant, do the job as early in the day as possible to avoid extreme soil temperatures that prevent proper water uptake from the roots. Water them in well and whisper a few words of wisdom.



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# ROBERTA'S GARDENS

PLANTING AND GROWING GUIDE



## Majestic Foxtail Lily (Eremurus hybrids)



## QUICK REFERENCE PLANTING GUIDE

LIGHT/SUN EXPOSURE:	Full to Partial
USDA HARDINESS ZONES:	5-9
PLANT TYPE	Perennial
PLANTING DISTANCE:	9-12 inches
MATURE HEIGHT/SPREAD:	4-5 feet 12-24 inches
BLOOM TIME:	Late Spring - Early Summer by 2nd Season
PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS:	Keep bulb(s) inside packing material until ready to plant into ground or container. Plant bulbs in the garden once the ground has thawed accordingly spacing them about 1 foot apart.
<small>(soil preparation, depth, which end is up, etc.)</small>	

## PLANTING GUIDE

1  
STEP

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2  
STEP

Plant bulbs in the garden once the ground has thawed accordingly spacing them about 1 foot apart. Dig a hole about 12 inches wide and 4 inches deep. Mound the soil up underneath the bottom so the roots spread outward and downward. Cover these roots and top crown with 2 inches of soil. Water the plants thoroughly

3  
STEP

In the garden, the roots will sprout when the soil temperature rises usually around June.

4  
STEP

Planted now each root will produce leaves only in the 1st summer. In subsequent summers they will bloom in late spring to early summer.

## CONTINUING CARE

### SHELF LIFE

Keep bulb(s) inside packing material until ready to plant into ground or container. Put in a cool, protected area and plant as soon as possible. For extended storage time, place in refrigerator for up to 3 weeks.

### DETERMINING THE BOTTOM OR TOP OF ROOT

Please refer to image on next page.

### PREPARATION

These roots can not be planted in pots. If planting bulbs into the garden itself, wait until the ground is permanently thawed.

### GARDEN LOCATION

For best results, make a wide, shallow hole. Take extreme care when planting this root as it does not like being disturbed. The tuberous roots are quite brittle and should be handled carefully. They prefer full or partial sun. Cover them with only a couple inches of soil spacing about 12 inches apart.

### POTTED PLANTS

You may not plant them into pots.

### SOIL

The foxtail lily enjoys full sun in well-drained, fertile or sandy soil enriched with compost.

### WATER

Average Water Needs; Water regularly; do not over water.

### SPACING

In garden space at least 9 to 12 inches apart.

### HEIGHT AND WIDTH

These grow about 4 to 5 feet tall and 12 to 24 inches wide.

### FERTILIZER

This helps maintain flower size and count from year to year. For best results, use Roberta's Flower Magic Plant Food (M7503) once a month all summer long.

### LIGHTING

Full or partial sun is preferred.

### BLOOMING

These will not bloom in the first season. It will take until the second season to bloom. They will bloom in late spring to early summer.

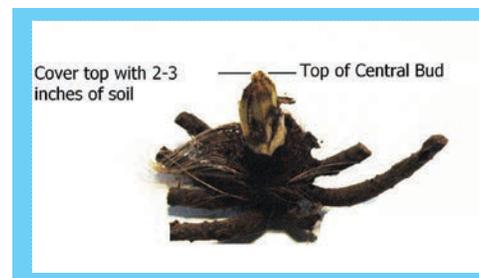
### TEMPERATURE ZONE 5 to 9

If they are planted in the ground, they will come up at the right time without worries of frost damage. are hardy to minus 10 F below 0 if planted in the garden.

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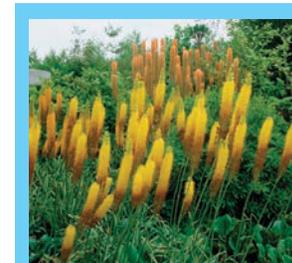
## ADDITIONAL REFERENCE



Foxtail Lily Shipped As Shown



Foxtail Lily Garden in 3rd Season



Foxtail Lily Garden in 5th Season



Close-up of Orange Foxtail Lily



Close-up of Pink Foxtail Lily