## Amaryllis Planting & Care

## **Quick Tips**

- Plant: October April
- Flowering time: 7-10 weeks
- Flowering period:
- More flowers on larger bulbs
- December June
- Store unplanted bulbs 40-50°F

Place the base and roots of the bulb in lukewarm water for a few hours. Remember, if you can't plant the bulbs immediately after receiving them, store in a cool place between 40-50°F.

Plant the bulbs up to the neck in a nutritious potting compost, being careful not to damage the roots. Press the soil down firmly to set the bulb securely in place after planting. During planting, you can also fertilize with *Van Wilgen's All Purpose Slow Release Plant Food*.

Place the potted bulb in a warm place with direct light. (The ideal temperature is 68 - 70°F.) Water sparingly until the stem appears. Then, as the bud and leaves appear, gradually water more. At this point, the stem will grow rapidly and flowers will develop after it has reached full growth.

Generally, bulbs will bloom 7-10 weeks after planting.