



garden spot

Put Easter Lily in garden for pleasure

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Last week I told you about the beautiful Easter Lily and promised to tell you the steps to put it in the garden for many years of pleasure.

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poor temperatures and an increase of \$5 to \$10 on your utility bill each month. The hardware stores sell a refrigerator condenser brush that will allow you to clean it properly and keep in mind, a clean condenser will add years of life to your refrigerator.

4. If you use a warm wash setting on the washing machine, it's time to shut off the cold water valve just slightly. Make the adjustment using a candy thermometer so that the water in your washer tub is exactly at 100 degrees. You can not wash clothes in warm wash unless the

Prepare a well-drained bed in a sunny location with rich organic matter. Raise the level by adding good soil. Plant the bulb three inches below ground level, then mound up an additional three inches of topsoil over the bulb. If you have several bulbs, space

temperature of the water is exactly 100 degrees.

5. It's time to give your dishwasher a Tang breakfast treatment. Purchase the powdered Tang from your local grocery store and deposit the whole contents into the bottom of the dishwasher. Make sure you turn on the hot water at the sink faucet first, let the dishwasher run for 3 or 4 minutes and then shut it off and open the door. Make the deposit, close the door and let it run through the cycle. It will clean out all the undissolved soap build up and your dishwasher will work

them 12 to 18 inches apart in a hole deep enough so that the roots spread out and down.

Work the prepared soil in around the bulbs and the roots, leaving no air pockets. Immediately water thoroughly to settle the bulbs. Try not to allow the soil

to heave or shift after planting.

As the stem and foliage begin to die back, cut the stems back to the surface of the soil. These bulbs, which were forced, naturally bloom in the summer, so you may have blooms toward late summer, but you probably will have to wait until next June or July for re-bloom.

As with clematis, lilies like their roots in shade and their heads in the sun. Mulch to help conserve water and keep the soil cool and loose as well as to provide a nutritious medium for the stem roots. A living mulch of a low ground cover of shallow-rooted annuals or perennials such as violas or primulas would work well.

Provide winter protection with a thick, generous layer of straw, pine needles or other mulch. Carefully remove the mulch in the spring to allow new shoots to come up and enjoy your Easter Lily for many seasons.

Established in 1955, the Easter Lily Research and Development Station is in Harbor, Ore.

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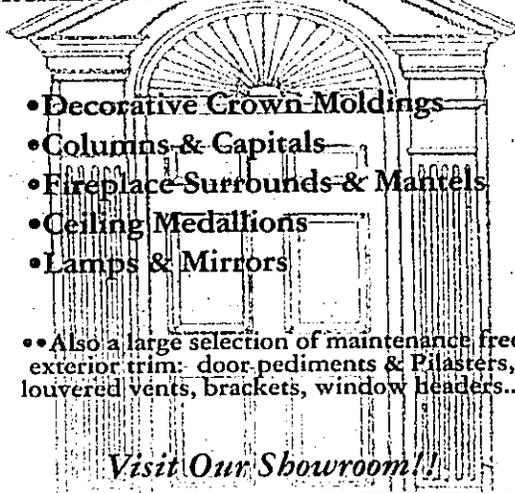
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