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TOP TEN MISTAKES GARDENERS MAKE WHEN PLANTING BULBS!

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1. ***Too much water/overwatering*** - don't submerge in water when forcing or water the bulb itself too much or it will rot.
2. ***Not digging deep enough for bulbs***
3. ***Allowing bulbs that need to be refrigerated to freeze.*** Refrigerate in mesh bags
4. ***Not allowing naturalizing bulb and leaves to die down into the bulb that will give them the energy to bloom again***
5. ***Planting single bulbs.*** Plant in clumps for a better showing
6. ***Planting too close together.*** Plant two bulb widths apart
7. ***Planting in straight line.*** Plant bulbs in "haphazard" patterns for a more natural flow
8. ***Planting upside down*** Pointy end/flat end goes up
9. ***Too much sun exposure.*** Bulbs don't like heat. They will bloom in partial shade.
10. ***Planting too late.*** Plant by end of January.