



Be the Boss of Your **Bareroots and Bulbs**

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Thank you for joining our presentation for the Bellevue Demonstration Garden! We hope you enjoyed it and learned more about the basics of flowering bulbs and bareroot herbaceous perennials, planting tips, and more.

As with anything, there is always more to learn beyond the “basics” and we’re excited for you to continue on your gardening journey! Below are a few notes from our presentation and other information we thought would be helpful. You can always reach out to us at the contact info listed on the back page. Good luck and happy gardening!

~ Sean and Allison McManus, Spoken Garden

5 types of Bulbs	
True Bulbs	Daffodils, Tulips, Alliums
Corms	Gladiolus, Crocosmia, Crocus, Anemones
Tuberous Roots	Dahlias, Tuberous Begonias
Tubers	Colocasia, Potato, Oxalis
Rhizome	Iris, Canna Lilies, Calla Lilies



Advantages/Disadvantages to Buying Bareroot Perennials

Advantages:

- Ease of shipping
- Easy to handle and move around
- Lower cost
- Cuts down on plastic waste

Disadvantages:

- Could arrive dry/dehydrated
- Small window for planting (Spring or Fall)
- Only certain sizes available

Definitions of the 5 Types of Bulbs

1) True Bulbs: Underground stem base containing overlapping, modified leaf tissue

2) Corms: Swollen underground stems composed of solid tissue instead of overlapping modified leaf tissue.

3) Tuberos Roots: Thickened, underground storage root where roots grow in a cluster radiating out from a central point.

4) Tubers: Underground stem base, with no basal plate and roots grow from all sides.

5) Rhizomes: Horizontal, thickened stem growing partially or entirely below ground

10 Native Bulbs You Can Grow Here

1. Nodding Onion (*Allium cernuum*)
2. Naked Mariposa Lily (*Calochortus nudus*)
3. Great Camas (*Camassia leichtlinii*)
4. Common Camas (*Camassia quamash*)
5. Coast Fawn Lily (*Erythronium revolutum*)
6. Chocolate Lily or Checkered Lily (*Fritillaria affinis*)
7. Douglas Iris (*Iris douglasiana*)
8. Columbian Lily (*Lilium columbianum*)
9. Western Trillium (*Trillium ovatum*)
10. Fools Onion (*Triteleia hyacinthine*)

Online Native Bulb Retailers

Brentandbeckysbulbs.com

Longfield-Gardens.com

WoodbrookNativePlantNursery.com

americanmeadows.com

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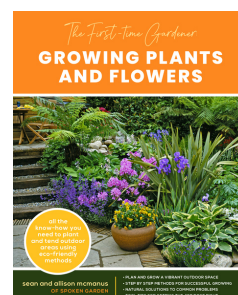
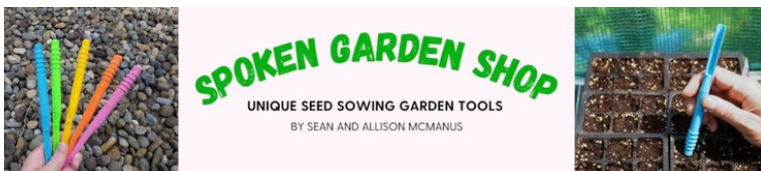
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Dibby Tools: Sold on Etsy and Amazon

Book: "The First-time Gardener: Growing Plants and Flowers," *Cool Springs Press, 2021*



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