



Annual Care

1. After purchasing annuals from our garden center the best thing to do is to get them acclimated to the outside weather. The best way to do this is to place them on a deck or porch up against the house this will let them harden off without the wind affecting them. After 2-3 days it is ok to put the annuals where desired. This is very important for large hanging baskets not to hang for 2-3 days.
2. **Planting**
 - a. When planting annuals into containers always use a peat potting soil, top soil should not be used. This is a great time to mix in a time released fertilizer and plant starter. It is important not to plant the annuals deeper than the soil they are grown in.
 - b. When planting annuals into the ground, prepping the soil is the most important thing to do. Always use a compost and or peat to help loosen and increase the quality of the soil. You will do this by tilling the products into the soil. Once the bed is ready it is important to not plant your annuals deeper than the soil that they are grown in. This is a great time to add in the plant starter and mix in some time release fertilizer.
2. **Watering and Maintaining**
 - a. Annuals that are in containers and in sunny areas are most likely to need watered everyday to every other day. All large foliage hanging baskets will need watered daily. Plants in the ground will need watered 2-4 days a week depending on weather. We recommend to fertilize as often as you can weekly is optimum.
 - b. We suggest using preventive insecticide and fungicide for annuals.
 - c. It is good for the plants to be trimmed to keep them from getting stretchy