



Gardening tip of the week

Bulb Tips for August

- ❖ Divide older Bearded Iris rhisomes. Cut out the woody parts and replant the rest.
- ❖ Plant fall crocuses now and crown imperials from now until October.
- ❖ Add several inches of mulch to Asiatic lilies. This will keep the roots cool, protect them from heat and deter weed growth.
- ❖ Watch your gladiolus carefully those with heavy blooms may require staking.
- ❖ Dig up your ranunculus and anemone to store for the winter if you haven't already done so. In warmer zones they can be left in the ground. Just apply a light mulch in fall.
- ❖ In late August you can dig up overcrowded lily-of-the-valley bulbs that grew poorly. Gently separate each plant and replant individually.

These tips are provided courtesy of Gardeners' Paradise. Visit their website at www.gardeningtips.org for more information.