## LILIES IN THE <br> COASTAL SOUTH

Basic tips for beautiful lilies.

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## NOT ALL PLANTS WE CALL 'LILY' ARE TRUE LILIES

There are many well adapted bulbs and bulb-like plants for our area.


## LILIUM SPP.

- True bulb with fleshy, overlapping scales.
- No protective covering on bulb.
- Upright stems with narrow foliage from the ground to flowers.
- Showy flowers

Lilies like loose, well drained organic soil.

Like some moisture during the growing season.

Patricia's Pride
Asiatic lily
36-48 inches tall


Roots like to stay cooler in our coastal environment.

Use mulch to regulate soil temperature or shade lily roots with other plants.

Diazy
Oriental Lily
 $30-42$ inches tall


Lilies grow best in partial sun in our coastal south area.

Tiger Rily
36-48 inches

Carefully handle bulbs since scales can break off.

- Plant small bulbs 2-3 inches deep.
- Plant medium-sized bulbs 3-4 inches deep
- Plant large bulbs 4-6 inches deep.

Plant in fall and spring.


- Soil test to determine if you need a complete fertilizer. Don't apply phosphorus unless needed.
- Fertilize in the spring with a controlled release fertilizer after plants are 6 inches tall.

Salman Star Oriental Lily 28-36 inches

## Remove flowers (deadhead) after they fade.

Only cut foliage down after it turns brown. Never cut green foliage.

## Triumphatar

## Easter x Oriental hybrid

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Attractive in containers.

Taller selections may need staking once they begin flowering.

Spring Pink
Asiatic lily


24-36 inches tall

Choose your favorite colors and styles. Many are highly fragrant (Asiatic types are not).


Visit the Escambia County Demonstration Gardens to learn more about plants for our area. 3740 Stefani Road, Cantonment, FL 32533
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