CARE INSTRUCTIONS

PAPERWHITES

- It takes **2 - 4 WEEKS** for a forced bulb to bloom
- Blooms for: **1 - 2 WEEKS**
- Scientific Genus Name: **NARCISSUS**

HOW TO BLOOM FROM A BULB:

1. Choose a large, firm bulb to produce more flowers.
2. Store unplanted bulbs in a cool, dark place between 40 F - 50 F degrees.
3. Find a warm, indoor home for your plant with 65 F - 70 F degrees temperature and bright, indirect light.
4. Plant a bulb in soil at crown level, with the tip upright, sticking out of your soil. Fully submerged bulbs take longer to bloom and have the potential to rot. Give your bulb one initial watering to wake it up and activate blooming.
5. After your bulb has awakened for the blooming season, you'll see green foliage; this is your cue to begin watering on a weekly basis, or as soil dries out. The roots in a rock mixture should be moist but not constantly submerged.
6. If your plant's foliage leans toward a light source to the side, rotate the pot occasionally so that the leaves point away from the light. This encourages the foliage to grow upwards, ensuring a healthy, strong stem to support the blooms.

WHICH BULB TO CHOOSE:

We suggest the **Ziva** variety for the best bloom and the **Inbal** for a less fragrant option. We often have both available in our greenhouses the **first week of November**. We sell by the bulb or pre-planted, and offer customized options upon request.

OUR BULBS ARE "FORCED":

All of our bulbs have been coaxed to bloom out of season, this is called forcing the bloom. Therefore, they may be unlikely to rebloom after having been forced.

WHAT CONTAINERS TO USE:

Get decorative! Use a shallow bowl that is 3" - 4" deep or with glass walls to keep your plant upright as it grows. Fill with appropriate "soil" to accommodate good drainage.

SOIL:

Choose a soil with a 1:1 ratio of peat moss and perlite or pick up a bag of Promix or cactus soil from our greenhouse. For decorative purposes, you can use rock in place of soil and moss or bark as a top layer around the bulb.