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PERENNIAL STARTER TIPS

The perennials you have just purchased are the same plants that are used by professional growers for their production.

These plants are entering their 2nd year of growth and are ready to explode with new growth as you will see by the well developed root structure.

- 1) Transplant each plant immediately into 4 inch pots using Sungro Metro Mix or Fertilome Ultimate potting mix. "Score" (make a vertical cut about ¼" deep) the roots of any rootbound plants using a sharp knife. Disturbing these roots allows them to grow out rapidly into the new soil.
- 2) After transplanting, water them in thoroughly and place them outside to grow until you plant them in your garden in May.
- 3) If the forecast is for frost or temperatures below 35°, cover with a fabric sheet (no plastic) or move into the garage for the night.
- 4) Check plants frequently for watering needs. In April, apply a water soluble fertilizer such as Miracle Gro every other watering to encourage maximum growth.
- 5) Transplant your potted perennials into the garden in May, keep an eye on watering through out the first growing season andenjoy!

The areas widest selection of perennial plants are available in our Perennial Department. Our friendly Ohio Certified Nursery technicians are available to help with any questions you may have.

(Sorry, our Green thumb guarantee is not applicable to starter plants)

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