



Tulip Bulb Life Cycle

HARVEST November – December

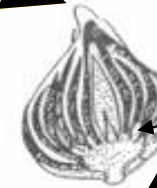
- Separate bulb clusters
- Store in cool, well ventilated position
- Keep free of aphids

A new crop of bulbs - the bulb you planted has gone!



WARM STORAGE December – March

- Bulbs need 8 weeks of warm storage to form new flower (18-28 degrees)
- Store warm until 6 weeks before planting



Embryonic new bulbs

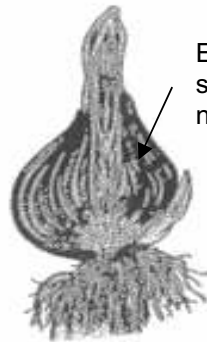
REFRIGERATOR April

- In areas without winter frosts, bulbs need 6 weeks in the crisper of the fridge before planting
- Areas with winter frosts, bulbs will grow better bulbs but shorter flowers without refrigeration

PLANTING April – May

- Plant 15 cm deep in well drained soil in full/half sun in late April - early May
- Ideal soil pH 6-7
- mix a little blood and bone with the soil or if planting in pots use a bulb potting mix

Energy in the bulb scales produces the new growth



GROWING July – November

- Keep well but not over-watered
- Keep free of aphids
- Apply 1 dose of liquid fertiliser as the bulbs emerge
- Remember to keep watered after flowering until the plant is 50% yellow

The new bulbs grow mainly after flowering

