



PEONY

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

When choosing a planting site, be sure to choose a place where the peonies can remain permanently – they resent being moved once established. Full sun to partial shade is best, along with rich, well-drained soil of a neutral pH. Protection from the hot afternoon sun and harsh winds will help to extend the life of the flowers.

The biggest problem that home gardeners usually have is knowing how deep to plant the peony tubers (thick, fleshy roots). If planted too deep, they will not flower even if all of the other environmental conditions are favorable. The planting depth varies depending on where you live in the country. Here are a few general guidelines:

- The further north you go, the deeper peonies should be planted. In the far north, the eyes (round growth points at the top of the crown) should be planted at a depth of 2 inches.
- In more moderate climates such as ours in Massachusetts, the planting depth can range between 1 and 1.5 inches.
- The further south you go, the shallower peonies should be planted. In the far south, the eyes should be planted at a depth of ½ inch.

Peonies have been known to live fifty years or more.

Golden Skep Farm

264 Linden Street

Berlin, MA 01503

978-838-2471

www.goldenskepfarm.com