

# Mums the Word



## *In the Garden:*

- Plant as soon as possible in an area that receives at least 6 hours of full sun, and has well-drained soil. If your soil is heavy with clay, it should be amended with organic material.
- Dig a hole wide enough to accommodate the existing roots, and maintain the depth that the mum was grown in the nursery container. Leave plenty of room between plants to allow for growth.

## *In a Container:*

- Mums grow quickly, so consider repotting it from the nursery container into a larger pot.
- Gently remove the mum from the nursery container, spread out the root ball, and place the plant in the new pot, maintaining the depth of soil that the plant was originally grown in. Allow enough room at the top of the container to hold water until it can soak into the soil.



## *General Care Tips:*

- Mums are thirsty plants, so check them for moisture often. Water them during the morning, so that the leaves have time to dry during the day. Avoid soaking the foliage. Never allow them to wilt.
- To encourage new growth, use sharp shears to remove blooms and leaves when they begin to show signs of curling, turning brown or dying.