

# Turkestan Botanical Species Tulip



- **Planting density: 2-3 inch apart, 9 per sq. ft.**
- **Planting depth: 2-4 inches to base of the bulb.**
- **Best planted in a mass of 45 or more for dramatic effect.**

## *Tulipa turkestanica*

- **Use:** Heirloom, 1875. Species Tulips are diminutive beauties ideal for niches in terraces, beneath deciduous trees and shrubs, and in rock gardens. With good drainage and lots of sun, they are especially long-lived. They are more perennial than other types of tulips in our hot Georgia gardens. With good drainage and lots of sun, they are especially long-lived.

**Exposure/Soil:** Full-part sun (does best with some afternoon shade). Moist, well-drained soil, but not soggy. Place a layer of mulch over the bulbs in summer to keep cool and remove again in the fall.

- **Growth:** Measures 3/4 to 1 feet tall.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 3-8 Perennial, Bulb
- **Foliage:** Deciduous. 2 to 5 narrow, linear, smooth, grayish-green leaves up to 6-10 inches long
- **Flower:** This fragrant early bloomer produces several flowers per stem, yet it still has a delicate wildflower look. The interior is white with an orange-yellow center, and the exterior is brushed gray-violet. An early-season food source for pollinators. Very early.

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