



## News Release

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Gardening Calendar

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## Don't Miss the Arboretum's Fall Bulb & Plant Sale

It's bulb-planting season, and gardeners everywhere are starting to plan and orchestrate their flower displays for next year. They won't want to miss the Arboretum Foundation's annual [Fall Bulb & Plant Sale](#), which features the best selection of bulbs in the Puget Sound region. This year's sale takes place on **Sunday, October 3**, from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**, and **Monday, October 4**, from **10 a.m. to 2 p.m.**, at Washington Park Arboretum's Graham Visitors Center, 2300 Arboretum Drive East, Seattle.

Hundreds of varieties of daffodils, tulips, crocuses, cyclamen, and more will be available. Along with garden favorites, shoppers will find many rare, unusual, and heirloom varieties, plus bulbs for forcing indoors. (A [full catalog of bulbs](#) can be viewed on the Arboretum Foundation website, [www.arboretumfoundation.org](http://www.arboretumfoundation.org).) In addition, several of the region's top **specialty nurseries** will be present at the Sunday event, selling companion plants such as ferns, perennials, and shrubs.

Arboretum Foundation members may shop early at the member pre-sale, **Saturday, October 2**, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Both the pre-sale and the Monday sale are "bulbs only"; however, the Arboretum's [Pat Calvert Greenhouse and Plant Donations Nursery](#) will be open for browsing throughout the event, and will be selling a wide array of herbaceous and woody plants to complement your bulbs.

As a special feature this year, we will be selling a collection of **bonsai trees** donated to the Arboretum by a generous member of the Foundation. It's a marvelous collection of more than 20 trees of varying ages and sizes, including conifers, broadleaf species, and bamboo. One relatively large (foot-high)

Engleman spruce is well over 150 years old! A full catalog of the bonsai will be posted on our website on Friday, September 10.

Also new this year at the Sunday sale will be a kids' table hosted by educators from the University of Washington Botanic Gardens. Parents and kids can take a break from shopping and enjoy **free, fall-themed educational activities**. Free, guided **seasonal tours** of the Arboretum will also take place on Sunday at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Parking and admission are free. The sale raises important funds for the Arboretum. For more information, call 206-325-4510 or visit our [website](#).

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