

Early Spring Plant Care

*Tips for caring for your plants (newly planted or not-yet-planted)
in the early spring when temps can still be chilly:*



Cover your plants (with a blanket - not plastic) or bring them inside at night with any temperature predicted at 38°F or colder



Plants should be outside during the day when temps are above 45°F so they get enough light (indoor lighting - even a bright window - is far from sufficient)



Water with care!

- Plants do not need much water in cool spring temps
- Plants should dry out before watering (stick your finger in the soil to test dryness)
- The smaller the pot, the more frequently it will dry out and need watered
- Remember to fertilize when watering

**Pay attention to the windchill temperature (the 'feels like' temp) as that matters most*



Cold Sensitive Plants

Will not tolerate temps under 40°F

Flowers:

Coleus
Impatiens
Ornamental Millet
Sweet Potato Vine
Vinca

Veggies:

Basil
Cucumbers
Melons
Peppers
Sweet Potatoes



Cold Tolerant Plants

*Can withstand cool weather and even a light
frost (though they won't look their best if
temperatures dip below 34°F)*

Flowers:

Alyssum
Lobularia
Pansy/Viola
Petunia
Snapdragon

Veggies:

Beets
Broccoli
Brussels Sprouts
Cabbage
Carrots
Cauliflower
Kale
Kohlrabi
Lettuce
Onions
Peas
Radish
Spinach

Perennials:

*Most can withstand
temps down
to 30°F when
newly planted
in the ground*

