Glory-of-the-Snow

(Chionodoxa luciliae)

Soil: Average to dry soil Light: Full sun or part shade Planting Depth: 4 inches Planting Distance: 3 inches

These little bulbs are among the first to pop their heads out of the ground in early spring, blooming about the same time as the crocus. Flowers are mostly blue, but a few are white or pink. The six-petaled, star-like flowers have a light center. Spikes of blooms are four to five inches high, growing from the center of strap-like leaves. Chionodoxa is one of the easiest bulbs to grow. It never requires dividing. Extremely hardy, it will thrive in cold climates.

Comments

The glory-of-the-snow should be left undisturbed after blooming; the seeds scatter easily and germinate readily, quickly producing large colonies of plants. An excellent bulb for naturalizing.