

Resurrect your Easter lily

The pure white blossoms of an Easter lily are a welcome symbol of the spring season. When your plant starts to wither, don't throw it out. You can give the plant a new life in your garden!

Start by picking off all the withered blooms. Keep the plant near a sunny window until the ground warms in June. Plant the lily in a sunny, well-drained location. When the stalk dies back, snap it off.

Your lily will send out new shoots this midsummer. The bulb may bloom again in late fall, especially if we have a late frost.

After Thanksgiving, place some mulching over the base of the plant for winter protection. In future years, the *Easter lily* will turn into a *Freedom lily*, blooming soon after the 4th of July.

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