

FROM THE EDITOR

The last blossom has disappeared off the flowering Cherry, the figs are starting to fatten and we are eating our first strawberries- that has to mean Spring is truly here. Isn't it just the most fabulous time of the year?

If you are heading into a Northern Winter, this edition will gladden your heart with all the promise and glory that the Spring flowers give us. For those of us heading into a Southern Summer, the thought of the beaches, Summer tomatoes plucked straight off the vine and finally being able to wear a dress again give us a similar feeling.

So Spring is special as I hope this edition is. I hope it encourages you to have a go planting a few Spring bulbs as even a bucket with holes in the bottom and filled with dirt will yield rewards within a few months. I hope it also spurs you on to buy some cut flowers and try out the techniques our wonderful designers have shared with you. And finally I hope some of your arrangements will end up as fresh floral gifts to share this Christmas with those you love.

Until next time
Happy arranging
Tricia Legg
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Daffodils are the first sign of Spring for many of us so they start the line up of Spring flowers in this edition.

Find out how to grow, condition and arrange them as well as discover some interesting facts.

Gather ideas for displays and large events from Margaret Tyrrell as well as try out Mila Schumann's fabulous Spring floral gift and sumptuous table setting.

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Tulips are one of the most recognized Spring bulbs although few of us grow them. Find out how you can, plus what they need as a cut flower.

Join Pascale Meissel Coste in an easy lesson for a beautiful Tulip centrepiece and have a go with Mila Schumann's modern take on a design for Easter.

We also squeezed in a table setting idea from Belgium and a wonderful indoor display.

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Ranunculus are bright and bold in rich, regal colours ideal for any Spring arrangement.

Find out more about them before South African, Lorraine Rose gives you two wonderful ways to use them combined with other Spring flowers.

Back in Europe, try out Mila's nests, two table settings and learn more from Stefan van Berlo's simple approach.

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The family is the Crocolidae and once you see who all the relatives are, it will all make sense because they all look so similar.

Malaysian florist, Sally See will show you how to use the largest in the family- the Gladiolus- in a great lesson which includes making your own container.

Stef Adriaenssens takes two smaller members- the Freesia and Cocosmia for some inspiring exhibition pieces.

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Ornithogalums are hard to say but brilliant to use in flower arranging. Find inspiration for an easy wreath and an expert bouquet design.

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Hyacinths have not been forgotten and Mila Schumann gives you her final idea. We take a quick look at Nerines with a table setting and you have your Spring arsenal complete.

