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- Resist the urge to braid or tie leaves into bundles.
- Fertilize after the flowers have faded.
- Water green foliage when the weather is dry.
- Make bulb foliage less noticeable by inter-planting perennial and annual flowers among the bulbs. If you select plants that bloom at different times, you'll have color in that area throughout the season.



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