# **ASPARAGUS MARY WASHINGTON**

ECS29-10, ECS29-20, ECS29-40

Product Manual - Version 02-23-01



PLANT SIZE:

1 year

HARDINESS ZONE:

2-9

PLANTING TIME:

**SPRING** 

HARVEST TIME: LATE SPRING TO EARLY SUMMER









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# Thank you for purchasing

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support@gardenstatebulb.com to open a ticket.

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If you have any other questions or concerns about your GSB product, please contact us at:

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PRODUCT NAME
PRODUCT MODEL#
RETAILER WHERE PURCHASED
DATE OF PURCHASE
ORDER NUMBER (IF AVAILABLE)

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Garden State Bulb Co. (GSB) products have been grown with the utmost care and are of excellent quality. In order to obtain the desired end result, it is important that the instructions on our site and/or the accompanying (plant) instructions are followed. Given that we work with a natural product; we offer a 1 Year Limited Growth and Flowering Guarantee.

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#### PLANTING & CARE INSTRUCTIONS



PLANTING TIME	Spring
HARVEST TIME	Late Spring, Early Summer
LIGHT	Full Sun
SPACING	12"-14" apart
DEPTH	Plant 5-6" deep
MATURE HEIGHT	24" to 36" tall
BENEFITS	Deer Resistant

## **Soil Preparation**

Great gardens start with great soil! Soil preparation is essential for successful gardening.

Healthy soil should have good tilth, nutrient content, and a viable population of beneficial microorganisms. We recommend using natural and organic ingredients to prepare the soil and maintain soil fertility. It is always a good idea to have a soil test to identify your soil type (sandy, loam, silt, clay) and find out your soil pH.

NOTE: It is important to store correctly until planting. Store in a cool, dry place with plenty of air circulation. Plant in spring as soon as ground has thawed and soil has warmed to 50°F and is workable. Usually 4-6 weeks after the last frost.

#### **Asparagus Planting Instructions**

- Plant asparagus in the spring after the ground has thawed and there is no longer danger of frost.
- Choose a location with well-drained soil that receives full sun. Loosen soil prior to planting.
- Dig a trench 5-6" deep. Place the roots in the trench, spreading the roots so they remain flat. Space 12-14" apart.
- Cover with 3" of dirt. Over a period of several weeks continue to add soil as the plants begin to grow until the trench is full.
- Keep soil moist during periods of dry weather but do not overwater.
- \* HARVESTING: Do not harvest the first year and only a light harvest may be taken the second season. By the third season, harvest asparagus spears with tight tips by snapping the 7-9" stalks off at the ground. Limit harvest to a period of 6-8 weeks in late spring to early summer or until spears are pencil thin.



#### **About Asparagus**

Garden State Bulb Mary Washington Asparagus bare root crowns come directly from our farms and growers in the US. They can be grown into a hardy vegetable and are fairly easy to grow in a variety of climates. Mary Washington is the traditional variety which consists of both male and female stalks. It is resistant to rust fungi, which can harm other varieties of Asparagus, It's important to note that an asparagus bed won't hit full maturity for about 2-3 years. But once that happens, it's worth the wait, as they will produce an abundant crop of spears spring after spring for the next 20 to 30 years!

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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



- How long does it take to grow asparagus?
  - **A.** Asparagus will grow in it's first year. Do not harvest the first year and only lightly harvest in the second year. By the thrid season, you can harvest the spears when they reach 7-9".
- Where is the best place to plant asparagus?
  - A. Plant in a sunny location with moist, well drained soil.
- What should you not plant asparagus by?
  - A. Avoid growing alliums and potatoes near your asparagus.

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