

# Garden Guide

## June



### Feature Plant

## Bird of Paradise



The beautiful Bird of Paradise is truly one of a kind! Also known as *Strelitzia reginae*, it is an easy low maintenance plant that is great to grow in any garden. With the ability to grow in sandy, loamy soil as well as near the seaside, this tough plant is also a lover of regular watering to get its extensive root system established.

With blue-green leaves resembling those of a banana plant, this wonder comes to life in Spring with a boost of tall stalks displaying an array of striking orange, blue spiked flowers resembling a birds head - hence the name.

The sun loving plant grows to a height of around 1.5m tall and spreads to approx 1 metre.

Top Tip: Cut the stalk and flowers in Spring and keep inside for a bright, beautiful floral arrangement!



### Did you Know?

The largest sunflower ever grown was 9.17 metres tall, grown in Germany by Hans-Peter Schiffer in 2014!

*“And forget not that the earth delights to feel your bare feet and the winds long to play with your hair.”*

Khalil Gibran

### Feature Product

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## What to Plant

### Flowers

#### Cool Climate/Temperate

Alyssum	Aquilegia	Begonia
Cineraria	Cornflower	Delphinium
Dianthus	Foxglove	Geranium
Lobelia	Nemesia	Pansy
Polyanthus	Poppy	Snapdragon
Stock	Strawflower	Viola

#### Subtropical

Alyssum	Aster	Dianthus
Gazania	Impatiens	Marigold
Pansy	Viola	

#### Tropical

Ageratum	Aster	Balsam
Crysanthemum	Coxscomb	Coleus
Cosmos	Dahlia	Dianthus
Everlasting Daisy	Kangaroo Paw	Marigold
Petunia	Portulaca	Salvia
Sunflower	Torenia	Verbena

 It is a great time to plant perennials. Phlox, Asters and Daffodils are a great place to start!

 Give potatoes and sweet potatoes a try this winter, just wait until they start to shoot and cover them with soil.

 Time to give your shrubs a tidy up with a good prune back!

 Indoor plants would love a feed of liquid fertiliser.

 It is a good time to have onions and garlic in the ground, before the winter solstice.

## Super Chicken's Top Tips



### Vegetables/Herbs

#### Cool Climate/Temperate

Broccoli	Cabbage	Cauliflower
Mint	Pumpkin	Spinach
Sweet corn	Thyme	Tomato

#### Subtropical

Dill	Cabbage	Comfrey
Lettuce	Parsley	Sage
Spinach	Silverbeet	

#### Tropical

Artichoke	Beetroot	Celery
Lettuce	Silverbeet	Radish

## Feature Garden



### Joan Juler Gympie, South East QLD

An avid gardener Joan is always outside in her beautiful gardens. She grows a range of bright, colourful, odd and usual plants ranging from; hibiscus, hydrangeas, orchids, gingers, natives, bromeliads, flowering shrubs & trees as well as hardy succulents and cactus too!

Always on the lookout for new garden tips Joan was recommended Katek fertilizers at a local store when her plants needed a little something to get them back to health

'I have been growing plants and gardening for a long time and I have found that its best to give everything a dose of fertiliser every few weeks and especially after rain. I mostly use Chicken Manure pellets on everything and a bit of blood and bone here and there to keep the flowers blooming and the plants healthy.'

