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Spring Flower Beds

Today on Gardening in a Minute: spring flower beds.

Spring is right around the corner, and it's time to freshen up your flower beds. The warm days and cool nights of spring are perfect for planting many stunning selections of annuals and perennials for both sun and shade.

Spade or till your beds and work several inches of organic matter, like peat moss or composted cow manure, into the soil.

Try planting large numbers of one or two flower varieties to create the best show. Make sure you buy healthy plants, and remember they don't have to have blooms at planting time.

In your local garden center, look for beautiful annuals such as wax begonias, impatiens, and zinnias, or perennials like angelonias and pentas, and make your spring garden the talk of the town!

For more information on flowers and many other gardening topics, contact your county Extension office or visit Gardening in a Minute dot com.

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