## Wilson's Lifestyle Centre

### **China Town Tulip**

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China Town Tulip Tulipa 'China Town'

Height: 12 inches Spread: 8 inches Spacing: 4 inches Sunlight: **O** Hardiness Zone: 4a Other Names: Chinatown Tulip Group/Class: Viridiflora Tulip

#### **Description:**

An outstanding variety producing luminous rose-pink blooms with prominent green flames, over interesting variegated foliage; this selection is visually stunning when massed in the garden or containers

China Town Tulip flowers Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Ornamental Features**

China Town Tulip has masses of beautiful rose cup-shaped flowers with shell pink overtones and green streaks at the ends of the stems in mid spring, which are most effective when planted in groupings. The flowers are excellent for cutting. Its attractive sword-like leaves remain grayish green in colour with distinctive white edges throughout the season.

#### Landscape Attributes

China Town Tulip is an herbaceous perennial with tall flower stalks held atop a low mound of foliage. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This is a relatively low maintenance plant, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. It has no significant negative characteristics.

China Town Tulip is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- General Garden Use

#### **Planting & Growing**

China Town Tulip will grow to be about 10 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 inches. When grown in masses or used as a bedding plant, individual plants should be spaced approximately 4 inches apart. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 10 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen! As this plant tends to go dormant in summer, it is best interplanted with late-season bloomers to hide the dying foliage.



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This plant should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is highly tolerant of urban pollution and will even thrive in inner city environments. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid. It can be propagated by multiplication of the underground bulbs; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.