

Dried Alliums Elizabeth Bohland, Artistic Crafts

The spring bulb catalogs are out and it's time to order for fall planting. If you don't have any alliums, you might consider planting some this fall for spring beauty as well as using them in your pots after the blooms are finished.



You will need dried alliums with stems (Schubertii is one of my favorites to use, top right photo), a can of spray paint, diamond dust glitter, a narrow branch or stake to fit in the allium's hollow stem to give the allium extra support. 1. Spray paint the dried allium avoiding the stem and immediately sprinkle the diamond dust glitter on while the paint is still damp. 2. Let dry. 3. Insert branch or stake into the hollow stem of the allium. 4. Cut stem to desired length and add to your arrangement in groups of 3, 5, or 7.



You can also leave your allium heads in your garden and spray them for added color. Eden's Garden Club used Schubertii alliums in our Christmas tree at our local museum last year. The uses for dried alliums is limitless and inexpensive. Please share photos of how you



reuse dried alliums from your garden.