

Bulb Timeline

Ten billion tulip bulbs are planted every year in Holland



One million bulbs planted in anticipation of the first Eden Bulbmania

Amundsen is first to reach the South Pole

The daffodil first introduced to the Isles of Scilly

Work begins on Buckingham Palace

Dutch cultivation of tulips begins

First tulip appears in England



Compilation of Domesday Book begins

2005

2005

2004

2001

1960s - 1980s

1911

1840

1702

1634 - 1637

1600s

1593

1578

1215

1086

1000AD

Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly supply half the UK market daffodils plus export to Europe and America

Research shows a drug derived from daffodils may be effective in halting the progress of different types of dementia



New varieties of daffodil bred. So many that some are only being named today

Start of craze for 'Rembrandt' split-colour tulip, resulting in tulips being traded for huge prices. A bulb could be worth the same as a house.

Tulips introduced to Holland by botanist Carolus Clusius

Magna Carta signed

Tulip cultivation starts in Persia (Turkey)

