

Holding Daffodils in a Refrigerator

**Lessons Learned the
Hard Way**

When Spring is Early

Finding a refrigerator

- If you don't have a spare in your basement or garage...
- Ask the neighbors, friends, relatives
- Ice chest and ice jugs, Wine refrigerator – Oops!
- Check fall sales on “dorm” refrigerators
- No ripening fruits or vegetables



Cautions

- Use a reliable thermometer –
 - High 30's to 40 degrees
- Raise humidity – tray of water or damp towels
- Tall containers – cover as much of the stem as possible
- Containers wide enough to hold plenty of water – if too narrow, will FREEZE
- If holding for several weeks, don't over-handle





**Don't let an
early season
discourage you
— it is possible
to save blooms
for 4+ weeks.**



Some transporting experiences

Carrying a few on an airplane



Hydrate well, dry each stem,
tape in to place



Overnight shipping is expensive, but it works



Recut the stems and hydrate ~ you will be amazed at how well they recover in a few hours

