## This Small Town Has Planted Nearly 100,000 Daffodils Over the Past 14 Years

Is it spring yet?

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Looking forward to <u>blooming flowers</u> this spring? You're going to want to head to Lewisboro, a small town in upstate <u>New York</u> where thousands of white and yellow <u>daffodils</u> stretch across both public roads and private properties.

According to <u>Better Homes & Gardens</u>, over the last 14 years a group of garden club members, local volunteers, and residents have planted nearly 100,000 of the flowers in Lewisboro. Using funds from the donations and the <u>Lewisboro Garden Club</u>, volunteers have planted 47,000

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daffodils in the town's public areas, while residents have planted some 38,000 bulbs on their own properties.

The Golden Roads Daffodils project began when the <u>Lewisboro Garden Club</u> planted hundreds of the bulbs in a small garden at a road intersection. It was only supposed to happen once, but volunteers, club members, and homeowners have carried on the tradition. They plant 4,000 bulbs on the sides of roads every year. A community effort, the town and local homeowners hold off on mowing areas with daffodils until the flowers' leaves are yellow and flopping over. Their leaves need them to grow for next year's bloom.

The blooms include a variety of daffodils: One is the Barret Browning daffodil, which has white petals and an orange cup, another is the Ice Follies daffodil, which has white petals and yellow cups, and, of course, the town plants the all-yellow Dutch Master daffodil. Thousands of them are planted on roads near Onatru Farm Park, according to *Better Homes & Gardens*. The best time to see the town's gorgeous daffodils will be between May and June.

Want to grow your own garden of daffodils? Find out how to plant them and care for the bright, fragrant flowers <u>here.</u>