



The Flagship in Begonia semperflorens



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Begonia semperflorens F?

Super Cool

Your All-Around Begonia

- Uniform flowering window within the series
- Well-branched, extremely large flowers, very floriferous
- Habit between Sprint Plus and Super Olympia®
- Earliness close to Sprint
- Works in pots, packs and the landscape

Technical Guide: [Click here](#)

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Crop Time

Spring: 10 - 12 weeks

Height ?

11 ? / 28 cm

Width ?

11 ? / 28 cm

Exposure

Sun - Shade

Seed Form

Pelleted Seed

Best Uses

Bedding, Pot Plant

Culture guide

Usage

Packs, Pots, Hanging Baskets, Mixed Containers and Landscape

Sowing method

1-2 pellets per plug. No covering required. Light is required and will help giving a more uniform germination.

Germination

Optimum conditions for seedling development, beginning on the day of sowing until radicle emergence. Expect radicle emergence in 6-8 days. Humidity should be between 95-100 % until day 11; then reduce to 40-60 %.

Growing on

Day neutral plant, will flower regardless of day length. Higher light intensity and warmer temperatures will promote earlier flowering. Supplemental lighting during germination will benefit but is not necessary.

Media

Plug culture: pH 5.5-5.8; EC 0.5-0.75. Begin with a saturated (5) for the first 10 days and on day 11 begin to dry them back slightly to wet (4).

Growing on: pH 5.5-5.8; EC 1.2-1.5. Alternate between moisture levels wet (4) and medium (2).

Temperature

Plug culture: 72–76 °F (22–24 °C) days 1–11. For irrigation use warm water (above 64 °F / 18 °C) only.

Growing on: 68–70 °F (20–21°C) nights, 64–67 °F (18–19 °C) days for the first 14 days or until the roots reach the bottom of the container. Thereafter temperatures may be lowered to 62–65 °F (16–18 °C) day and night. An ADT (average daily temperature of 67 °F (19 °C)) will give the fastest finished crop.

Fertilization

Plug culture: Maintain an EC < 1.0. Fertilized water should not exceed an EC of 0.5. Initial feeding should be with a balanced fertilizer low in ammonium.

Growing on: Moderate fertilization levels are required. Fertilize the crop weekly with 100-150 ppm nitrogen, using a complete balanced fertilizer. Avoid high ammonium and high nitrogen levels, because the foliage can grow very large. Avoid pH levels above 6.0, as high pH can cause iron deficiency. Watch for low Ca and Mg levels since this can result in stunted plants with marginal leaf edge burn. Under high light conditions use an ammonium based fertilizer (17-5-17) and under low light use a calcium based fertilizer (14-4-14).

Stage I Starts with the radicle breaking through the testa. The roots are touching the medium. Ends with fully developed cotyledons.

Stage II Starts from fully developed cotyledons. Ends with the fully developed true leaf or true leaf pair.

Stage III Starts from the fully developed true leaf or true leaf pair and ends with 80% of the

young plants being marketable.

Stage IV All young plants are ready for sale and in the process of being hardened off. This stage lasts about 7 days.

The cultural recommendations are based on results from trials conducted under Central European conditions. Different conditions in other parts of the world may lead to deviations in results achieved.

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