72ct Plug

Container:
Premium 2 Gallon Pot
Finish:
8-10 weeks
When To Plant:
Early to mid spring

Growing Temperature:

50-60°F

EC Level:

2.0-3.0 pour through method

Vernalization:

Plugs arrive with the proper amount of cold treatment. Plants do not "die back" to the ground as with some hardy perennials, but receive sufficient chilling to allow for bud initiation. If growing for following spring sales, maintain plants between about 35-40°F to ensure proper chilling but to prevent damage due to too cold of temperatures.

Potting and Timing:

Start by receiving vernalized 72ct plugs in spring (January through April). It is very important that the plugs you start with have been properly vernalized or your crop will have no flowers. Plant one plug directly into an 8-inch or 2-Gal container, using a well-drained growing media. They should finish in 8-10 weeks at 55-60°F. Alternatively, you could grow Digiplexis in 12-inch decorative color pots. Just add a couple of weeks to the finish time. These plants develop a large, bulky crown, so it is best not to pot them up into smaller containers.

PGRs/Pinching:

Drench with Sumagic at 1 ppm.

Soil pH:

5.5-6.0

Fertility:

Digiplexis are moderate feeders. Feed them 100-125ppm Nitrogen in a constant liquid feed during the rooting stage and then increase the rate to 200-250 ppm Nitrogen in a constant liquid feed when forcing them into bloom. The suggested EC rate is 2.0-3.0 using the pour through method.

Pests and Diseases:

A few pests such as aphids and spider mites can occasionally affect a crop of Digiplexis. Scout regularly for these pests and treat as needed.

Moisture:

For potting soil use well-drained growing media. Digiplexis grows best with moderate to consistent moisture levels. Because of its dense rosettes of large leaves, it can be difficult to get the water down to the roots, so it is best to use drip irrigation on this crop if possible. If conditions are too dry, mites can become a problem. Be sure to irrigate in the morning to allow the rugose foliage to dry by evening.

Planting Level:

Plant crown even with the soil line.

Lighting:

Growing plants under high light conditions and cool temperatures will keep them neatly compact, making them easier to ship and merchandise. Growing under clear plastic is recommended for best light quality.

Grower Tips:

Digiplexis is a large plant that requires ample space to grow. Its foliage will extend beyond the edge of the container. Be sure to space plants well in production to achieve well-rounded specimens with the maximum number of secondary flowering shoots.

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