Papaver (Poppy)

30ct Plug

Container:

Trade 1 Gallon Container

Finish:

8-10 weeks

When To Plant:

Late winter to late spring

Growing Temperature:

50-55° F days

55-60° F nights

Fertility:

Fertilize at every other irrigation with 75-100 ppm of 15-0-15. Height can be controlled by withholding fertilizer.

Potting and Timing:

Provide moderate light intensity of 1,500-3,000 foot candles. Once plants are rooted in to the sides of the pot, allow them to wilt between irrigations for height control.

Moisture:

For potting soil use commercial planting media.

Maintain relatively dry conditions, allowing the medium to fully dry between irrigations. Always allow foliage to dry by nightfall to avoid disease.

PGRs/Pinching:

Apply B-Nine at 2500 ppm 2 or 3 times at 7 day intervals.

Other Comments:

Good drainage and adequate winter protection against frost heaving are most important. Whether in a pot or in the landscape, make sure water never stands over the crown.

Soil pH:

5.5-6.2

EC Level:

1.5-2.5 pour through method

Vernalization:

Required for flowering. Provide 6-9 weeks of cold.

Pests and Diseases:

Aphids, caspid bugs, plant bugs, aster leafhopper, grape mealybug, northern root-knot nematode, thrips.

Bacterial blight (Xanthomonas), impatiens necrotic virus and others, leaf spots, Botrytis blight, powdery mildew (Erysiphe), root rots, smut (Entyloma), downy mildew (Peronospora), Verticillium wilt, anthracnose (Gleosporium).

Planting Level:

At soil level.

Lighting:

Long days required for flowering.

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