# 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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