

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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