



Argyranthemum frutescens - Culture Description



FAMILY: Asteraceae /Compositae

ORIGIN: The Canary Island & Madeira

SEASON: Spring

USDA HARDINESS: 9 - 11

ROOTING: 14-21 days at temperatures of 64-75 °F (18-24 °C).

PLANTING: For 4" (10 cm) pots, use 1 plant per pot. Ready for sales (from rooted cutting) within 8-10 weeks. For 6" (15 cm) pot, use 1-2 plants per pot. Ready in 9-11 weeks. For 10" (25 cm) hanging basket or pots, use 3-4 plants. Ready in 12-14 weeks.

PINCHING: Optional. Once, in trays - about 10 days before liner planting, or about 10 days after planting and establishing.

LIGHT INTENSITY: Full sun to partial shade (min. 6,000 fc / 60,000 LUX).

TEMPERATURE: Normal day 64-75 °F (18-24 °C), cool night 45-55 °F (7-13 °C).

FERTILIZATION: Constant feed, with a balanced fertilizer (200-250 ppm N), that contains average levels of micronutrients with a slightly increased level of iron.

IRRIGATION: Maintain moderate moisture levels. Avoid over-watering.

MEDIUM: Use a well-drained disease-free potting mix. pH: 5.5-6.0 E

GROWTH REGULATORS: Optional in a 4" crop. Otherwise not necessary. 1-3 sprays of ALAR (B-Nine) 2 gr/L according to required plant size.

DISEASES & PEST CONTROL: Insects: Aphids thrips and White Flies. Spray preventatively. Diseases: Botrytis, Rhizoctonia, Pythium. Drench with a broad-spectrum fungicide at liner planting.

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