

Cultural Information

Brachyscomes Surdaisy



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Thank you for purchasing a Brachyscomes Surdaisy assorted tray. Here are tips to growing successfully.

Growing to Finish

General Culture: Grow Surdaisy as a bedding plant. It can be grown as summer annual, potting weeks 8-10 and finishing in 10-13 weeks as a 4-inch pot, depending on the temperature. Another option is to grow like a winter viola, potting in September and selling in late March, grown cold. Plants grow slowly in the cold. Surdaisy also has small leaves, which makes it a slow starter. Grow at warmer temperatures in the young plant stage. Surdaisy is always in flower, so remove flowers regularly to enhance vegetative growth. Surdaisy also needs several pinches to branch nicely.

Watering: Maintain moderately moist soil. During cold temperatures and in the young plant stage, avoid watering too much. Surdaisy will use more water in warmer temperatures and when the plant is larger.

Lighting Surdaisy prefers high to moderate light levels, between 5,000 and 8,000 footcandles.

Crop Timing: 4-inch pots finish in four to six weeks with one liner and one pinch. • 6-inch pots finish in six to eight weeks with one or two liners and one pinch. • 10-inch baskets finish in eight to 10 weeks with four to five liners and two pinches. Less pinching is required when plants are grown cool.

Temperature: Maintain day temperatures between 65-75°F and night temperatures between 55-60°F.

Feeding: Maintain soil pH of 6.0-6.5. Feed with a complete water-soluble fertilizer at 100-200 ppm. Add chelated iron in the fertilizer program.

Growth Regulators: While no growth regulator is needed for Surdaisy plants, it does help prevent stretching.

Pests & Diseases: Monitor plants for thrips, white-flies, aphids and mites. Use a broad-spectrum fungicidal drench after planting