

annual (HhP)
1600 s/gr
Seed form clean seeds

Craspedia

CUT FLOWER CULTURE

culture greenhouse/open field

sowing method TP

sowing season

sow late winter, early spring

germ temp. 18-20°C (65-68°F)

growing temp. 21-24°C (70-75°F)

plug crop time

8 - 10 weeks

crop duration

6 months from sowing

seed requirement

1500 seeds for 1000 plants

pests/diseases

Whitefly (in young plant stage), snails

fertilization (f)

Moderate requirement.

SOWING DETAILS

- Pre-sow and transplant (TP):

Initial sowing media:
sterile, well-drained fertile soil

sow : 2 - 5 seeds per plug
cover: light cover with vermiculite

days 0 - 7
(m) level 4
(t) 18-20°C (65-68°F)
(f) < 100 ppm N, < 0.7 EC

days 8 - 14
(m) level 3 - 4
(t) 18-20°C (65-68°F)
(f) < 100 ppm N, < 0.7 EC

days 18 - 35
Transplant into cell packs or larger
containers when seedlings have two
sets of true leaves.

Harden off and transplant outside
after last frost.

GROWING ON

soil/media

any well-drained fertile soil

netting

Netting is required.

pinching

No pinching needed.

plant density

12-16 plants/m² (23-31 plants/ft²)

moisture (m)

Craspedia thrives in a dry growing
climate, so irrigate sparingly, level 2-3.

temperature (t)

Optimum temperature is 21-24°C (70-75°F).

light (l)

CULTIVATION TIPS

NOTE

Netting prevents the flower heads
touching and damaging one
another during windy spells.

HARVEST

Harvest when flower heads are fully
open and uniformly golden. Hang to dry.
For post harvest treatments, see:
www.vbn.nl/en/longevity or
www.vbn.nl/houdbaarheid

moisture levels (m): 1 = dry 2 = normal to dry 3 = normal 4 = moist 5 = wet

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