



LYCHNIS chalcedonica

(SILENE)


[Red Cross]

Maltese Cross

Item No.: LA468

Portion Price (sufficient for 50-100 plants)	1g Price (0.1-9.9g)	10g Price (10-99.9g)	100g Price (100-999.9g)	1000g Price (1000-9999.9g)	10000g Price (10000-99999.9g)
2,00€	3,40€	18,00€	96,00€	-	-

Plant Description

Life Cycle	Perennial
Family	Caryophyllaceae
Origin	Selection. Eastern Europe, Eastern Asia to South Russia: open woodland, roadsides.
Distinction	Award of Garden Merit (A.G.M.) from the Royal Horticultural Society.
Special Features	Fiery red blossoms. Capitate heads 5-10cm across. Very popular and well known garden plant with average wet soil. Easy to grow.
Historical	The species has been in cultivation since 16th century.
Basic Colour	(red / scarlet / purple)
Flower Colour	fire-red
Natural Flowering Period	June - August
Flowering	First year flowering
Winter Hardiness Zones	Z4 - Z8
Foliage	ovate to lanceolate, opposite, sessile, hispid, light green
Height with Flowers	120 cm
Spacing between Plants	35 cm
Soil Requirements	dry / well-drained
Location	
Characteristics	groundcover
Usage	suitable for cutting

Cultivation

Grams per 1000 seeds	0.47619 Gram
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Seeds per Gram	2100 (does not correspond to the number of plants!)
Gram to get 1000 plants	1 Gram (if sown directly into pots etc. you will need a larger quantity)
Sowing Rates/Trays	2 - 3 per cell
Plug tray recommended size(s)	128
Sowing Direction	(15) Rapidly germinating, keep seed in constant moisture (not wet) with temperatures of about +20°C [68°F]. Seeds must be covered thinly. Do not cover very small seeds, but tightly press into the earth. Keep in cooler conditions after germination occurs.

Scheduling

Cutting back at Transplanting	Cut-back once to keep more compact.
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Growing On

Container Size(s)	1 plug per 8/9 cm (3 1/2") / 1-2 plugs per 11/12 cm (4 1/2")
Fertilizer	Medium (150-200 ppm)