




HIBISCUS Moscheutos-Hybr. 'Galaxy'

Swamp Rose Mallow

Item No.: HG212

Also available as: Normal Seed Organic seed

Plant Description

Article Type	GOLD NUGGET SEED ®
Life Cycle	Perennial
Family	Malvaceae
Origin	Garden origin
Special Features	Winter hardy selection with an exceptional color display of saucer-shaped blossoms up to 25 cm in diameter. Will flower the first year if planted early enough in the year but prefers two years to fully mature. Selection from Gilberg Farms.
Historical	Selected from Gilberg Farms. Introduced by JELITTO PERENNIAL SEEDS in 2001.
Basic Colour	(mixture)
Flower Colour	pink and white with red centers, white, light pink, rose, light to dark red
Natural Flowering Period	June - October
Flowering	First year flowering
Winter Hardiness Zones	Z5 - Z9
Foliage	Variety of different leaf types reflecting the influence of its genetic lines and thus resembling H. moscheutos, H. coccineus and others.
Growth Habit	erect / vigorous
Height with Flowers	120 cm
Spacing between Plants	90 cm
Soil Requirements	moist
Location	
Characteristics	solitary plant
Usage	patio plant



Cultivation

Grams per 1000 seeds	9.09091 Gram
Seeds per Gram	110 (does not correspond to the number of plants!)
Sowing Rates/Trays	2 per cell
Plug tray recommended size(s)	72 / 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

Best Sowing Date	Anytime (northern Hemisphere, Field condition)
Sowing Time Hint	Dark-germinator, must be covered.
Sowing to Germination	3 - 4 weeks
Germination to Transplant	4 - 8 weeks
Transplanting to Potting	6 - 10 weeks
Cutting back at Transplanting	Cut back 1-2 times; once at transplanting; once again 4 weeks later to keep more compact.

Growing On

Container Size(s)	1-2 plugs per 11/12 cm (4 1/2") / 2-3 plugs per 15 cm (6")
Vernalization	No vernalization required for flowering in the first year.
Forcing	Provide 16 hours of continuous lighting. During the short days of winter, provide a night interruption lighting of 4 hours between 10:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m. 6-8 weeks to flower.
Fertilizer	High (200-250 ppm)