




DODECATHEON meadia 'Goliath'

Shooting Star

Item No.: DG423

Also available as: Normal Seed

Plant Description

Article Type	GOLD NUGGET SEED ®
Life Cycle	Perennial
Family	Primulaceae
Origin	Eastern USA
Special Features	Elegant, larger flowers and strong sturdy stems. Excellent cut flower.
Historical	Introduced by JELITTO PERENNIAL SEEDS in 1995.
Basic Colour	(pink / salmon)
Flower Colour	lilac-rose
Natural Flowering Period	May - June
Winter Hardiness Zones	Z3 - Z7
Foliage	smooth, oblong
Growth Habit	rosettes-forming
Height with Flowers	70 cm
Spacing between Plants	40 cm
Soil Requirements	avoid lime / moist / average / humus rich, fertile
Location	
Usage	suitable for cutting

Cultivation

Grams per 1000 seeds	0.39432 Gram
Seeds per Gram	2536 (does not correspond to the number of plants!)
Sowing Rates/Trays	2 per cell
Plug tray recommended size(s)	open flats / 72



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

Varying temperatures beneficial, day 24°C, night 15°C.

Sowing to Germination

3 - 4 weeks

Germination to Transplant

6 - 8 weeks

Transplanting to Potting

8 - 12 weeks

Cutting back at Transplanting

Not Necessary.

Growing On

Container Size(s)

1 plug per 8/9 cm (3 1/2") / 1-2 plugs per 11/12 cm (4 1/2")

Vernalization

There is no current research on vernalization but a prudent recommendation for any perennial would be 6-12 weeks (a few might need 15 weeks!) at an average daily temperature of 40°F (5°C). Exposure to cold may not be necessary for flowering but might improve quality.

Forcing

This species is not a suitable candidate for forcing.

Fertilizer

Light (100-150 ppm)