




DRACOCEPHALUM peregrinum 'Blue Dragon'

Blue Dragon Dragonhead

Item No.: DA472

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)
5,70€	7,60€	60,00€	480,00€	-	-

Plant Description

Life Cycle	Perennial
Family	Lamiaceae
Origin	Russia (Altai Mountains)
Special Features	Long-lived perennial with large hooded blossoms over mounds of diminutive blue leaves. Rich and large flowering. Well suited to container production.
Historical	Introduced by JELITTO PERENNIAL SEEDS in 2004. Seed strain of Russian species found in the Altai Mountains.
Basic Colour	(violet)
Flower Colour	violet blue
Natural Flowering Period	June - September
Flowering	Second year flowering
Winter Hardiness Zones	Z4 - Z8
Foliage	tiny, blue green, needle-like
Growth Habit	compact / bushy
Height with Flowers	30 cm
Spacing between Plants	30 cm
Soil Requirements	dry / well-drained
Location	
Usage	for the rock garden

Cultivation

Grams per 1000 seeds	3.63636 Gram
Seeds per Gram	275 (does not correspond to the number of plants!)



Gram to get 1000 plants	8 Gram (if sown directly into pots etc. you will need a larger quantity)
Sowing Rates/Trays	2 per cell
Plug tray recommended size(s)	72 / 128
Sowing Direction	(16) See 15 with the exception of germination being slower and more irregular. This poses no problems. (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 to Germination	2 - 3 weeks
Germination to Transplant	4 - 8 weeks
Transplanting to Potting	6 - 10 weeks
Cutting back at Transplanting	Not Necessary.

Growing On

Container Size(s)	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	An obvious place to experiment - following vernalization - would be raising daytime temperatures to 60° - 65°F (15° - 17°C). 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.
Fertilizer	Light (100-150 ppm)