ADVANTAGES

Characteristic	Advantage for growers
Can be grown at a lower temperature (15C)	Saves on energy consumption
High degree of uniformity	Plants of each colour in the series flower simultaneously
	High percentage of saleable plants
Early flowering	10 days earlier than other seed-grown cannas
Can be grown as a plant with a compact habit	More plants per m²
Good branching habit	Attractively fills a pot: just 1 plug needed for a pot up to 15 cm
Good leaf quality	Little if any leaf damage: higher percentage of A1 quality
Can also flower in smaller pot sizes	Lower cost price makes them suitable for retailers to use as special offers
Bright, high-intensity colours	Red, yellow and rose with more new colours to follow
Sales are supported by marketing materials (POS)	Helps distinguish the CANNOVA® series from other cannas

CULTIVATION

Here are some recommendations for cultivating CANNOVA®. For more detailed advice based on your own growing conditions, contact your crop specialist or your plant supplier.

Potting compost: Use a well-draining potting compost supplemented with PG Mix. Also recommended: approx. 8% clay.

Growing temperature (Day): 15-20 ° C

Growing temperature (Night): 15-18 ° C

Fertilising: As a guideline: NPK 15+5+30 and extra magnesium and trace elements. This depends on your potting compost and the quality of your irrigation water.



pH: 5.5-6.2

EC: 1,5-3.0

Irrigation: Keep the potting compost moist but not too wet. Keep the temperature of the irrigation water above 15°C during the winter.

Pot size: 12-19 cm

Growth regulators (PGRs):

The following agents can be used if desired: Bonzi, Alar, Tilt. The concentration depends on the growing conditions. <u>Important</u>: Growing at lower temperatures (15°C) naturally provides compact growth and better branching.

Length of cultivation from potting up to flowering: 9-16 weeks

Growing density per net m²:

12 cm pot - $22/m^2$ with 1 plug pot 13 cm - $20/m^2$ met 1 plug pot 14 cm - $20/m^2$ met 1 plug pot 15 cm - $18/m^2$ met 1 plug pot 17 cm - $16/m^2$ met 1 plug pot 17 cm - $12/m^2$ met 2 plugs pot 19 cm - $10/m^2$ met 2 plugs

Pests and diseases

Insects: Thrips, Red Spider Mites

Fungi: Pythium, Rhizoctonia, Botrytus.

Adding Topsin M /Previcur / Ryzolex to irrigation water after potting up is recommended

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