

Tropaeolum Baby Red

Crop type: Annuals

Year of Introduction: 2019

Series: Baby

Hybrid: No

Family: Tropaeolaceae

Novelty Characteristics: New flower colour, → very compact habit, → small foliage

Exposure: Sun

Use: → Bedding Plant, Landscaping, Pot plant, patio plant, → Edible Flower, → Attracting beneficial insects and hummingbirds, → Suitable for babyleaf or sprouting

Common Name: Nasturtium

Flowering – Harvest: May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct

Flower Characteristics: Single, 5 cm diameter

Height in cm – inches: 25 - 10

Height Category: Short

Seed: Approx. 10 seeds per gram; germination rate minimum 80%

Germination Method: Top of Paper, 15°C, Dark - (TP15D)

Days to Germinate: 7-14

Plant: → Sow late January for April sales; → Sow early February for May sales

Growing: → Sow in light, sandy medium, no fertilizer and excellent drainage. → Germinates in 2 - 3 weeks at 15°C. → Transplant within 3 - 4 weeks of sowing to 9 cm pots, or 3 plants in 12 cm pots. → Root pruning at time of transplant benefits the crop. → Grow on 9 - 10 weeks, → Day temperature 18°C, → Minimal water and feeding, → And full sun. → After bud formation, raise day temperature to 21°C - 24°C. → Maximum light intensity. → Crop should be ready for sale 1-2 weeks following these conditions. → Sell when first bloom opens.

Planting: — Height 20 cm, — Spread 20 cm; — Mounded plant form