# GrowerFacts

Annuals Culture (revised 02/22/19)

## **Cosmos Antiquity**

(Cosmos bipinnatus)

Plug crop time: 4 to 5 weeks Transplant to finish: 6 to 7 weeks

• 2-in./5-cm flowers open rich burgundy and mature to antique bronze-salmon.

- Very early and floriferous.
- Well-suited to 3.5 to 4-in./9 to 10-cm pots.

## **General Information**

Exposure	Bloom Season	Height	Spread	Spacing
Sun	Spring, Late Spring, Summer, Late Summer, Autumn	20-30 in. (51-76 cm)	12-14 in. (30-36 cm)	12-14 in. (30-36 cm)

#### **Germination**

Seed Form	Recommended Plug Size	Seeds/Cell	Plug Crop Weeks	Days to Germinate	Initial Media pH/EC	Cover Seed
RAW	288	1	4-5	3-5	5.7-5.9 pH 0.3-0.5 mmhos/cm	Yes

#### **Plug Production**

	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4
Moisture	Level 4	Level 3-4	Level 2-3	Level 2-3
Temperature	61-65°F (16-18°C)	61-65°F (16-18°C)	61-65°F (16-18°C)	61-65°F (16-18°C)
Light	Optional			
Fertilizer	Less than 100 ppm N - Less than 0.7 EC	Less than 100 ppm N - Less than 0.7 EC	Less than 100 ppm N - Less than 0.7 EC	Less than 100 ppm N - Less than 0.7 EC

#### **Propagation Key Tips**

Can treat the plugs at early Stage 1 with Bonzi at 15 ppm applied as a spray to control early stretch. Daylength extension in the plug stage may be used to prevent premature flowering.

## Growing on to Finish

Growing on Temperature	Target Media pH/EC	Fertilizer	Daylength
(day) 65-75°F (18-24°C) (night) 61-65°F (16-18°C)	5.8-6.2 pH 1.0-1.5 mmhos/cm	100 to 175 ppm N - 0.7 to 1.2 EC	Facultative Short Day

#### **Daylength Notation**

Cosmos flowers faster under short days. Daylength extension in the plug stage to more than 12 hours daylength may be used to prevent premature flowering.

## Crop Scheduling

Container Size	Plugs/Pot	Crop Time	Season	PGR
4"/4.5"/Quart	1 (ppp)	6-7 (weeks)	Spring	-

#### **Fertilizer Notation**

Reduce N and increase K in fertilization closer to bud stage.

#### **Common Problems**

Insects: Aphids, Thrips

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## **Variety Pictures**





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