# Antirrhinum majus Snaptastic Red<sup>TM</sup>

Minimum Germination Rate: 85% Seed Product Form: pelleted

Container size: 4-6 inch pots, quarts, gallons

Habit: Upright

# **Garden Specifications**

Garden height:

14" - 16"

Garden width:

12"- 14"

Light:

Full sun /Part shade

**Product use:** 

Beds, mass planting, containers, mixed combinations.

## **Germination**

**Germination time:** 3-5 days

**Media temperature:** 72-75 °F (22-24°C)

**Chamber:** Optional

**Light:** Not required for germination

**Seed Cover:** Light vermiculite

**Moisture Level:** 4 (wet) day 1-5

**Recommended tray size:** 288- cell tray

**Seeds per cell:** 1 seed

# **Young Plant Production**

**Temperature:** 

Day 64-68 °F (18-20°C) Night 64-68 °F (18-20°C)

### Lighting:

- Recommended day length > 14 hours
- Light intensity 2000-3000 foot candles (400-600 micro mols)
- Day length response; facultative long day.
- Daily light integral; >10 mols/day

**Media pH:** 5.4 - 6.2

**Media EC:** 0.5 - 1.0 mS/cm

**Fertilizer:** 50-100 ppm Nitrogen

**Pinching:** No

#### **Moisture level:**

Alternate between a level 4 (wet) and level 3 from radicle emergence until cotyledon expansion, and then allow soil to dry back to a level 2 (medium).

### **Plant Growth regulators (PGRs):**

If needed, spray applications of B-Nine (daminozide) @ 2500-3750 ppm, Bonzi (paclobutrazol) @ 5-8 ppm, or A-Rest (ancymidol) @ 2-4 ppm are effective to tone plugs.

**Plug Time:** 5-6 weeks for a 288-cell tray.

#### **Tech tips:**

High pH levels (above 6.2) may promote iron deficiency causing chlorotic young leaves. Overly wet conditions or watering late in the day can cause shoot tip abortion.

## **Finishing**

Temperature:

Day 60-70 °F (16-21 °C) Night 55-60 °F (13-16 °C)

Average daily temperature: 55-65 °F (13-18 °C)



## Lighting:

- Recommended day length; > 14 hours
- Light intensity; >4.500 foot candles ( >900 micro mols)
- Day length response; Facultative long day.
- Day light integral; > 15 mols/day.

**Media pH:** 5.4-6.2

**Media EC:** 1.0-1.5 mS/cm

Fertilizer: 150-200 ppm Nitrogen

**Pinching:** No

#### **Moisture level:**

Alternate between a level 4 (wet) and level 2 (medium). Allow soil to dry to a level 2 (medium) before irrigating up to a level 4 (wet).

### Plant growth regulators:

If needed, spray 1-2 applications of B-Nine (daminozide) at 3,500-5,000 ppm, Bonzi (paclobutrazol) at 15-20 ppm, or Sumagic (uniconazole) at 10-15 ppm. Do not apply Bonzi drenches after visible bud stage to prevent clubby flowers.

**Pest:** Thrips, aphids and spider mites.

#### **Diseases:**

Botrytis, downy mildew, powdery mildew, Pythium, rust, TSWV and INSV.

# **Scheduling**

Container size	Crop time after transplant (weeks)	Plants per pot
4 to 5 inch pots, quarts	7-8	1
6 inch pots, gallons	7-8	1-2

Estimated finish crop time is from transplant of a 288-cell tray and finished at an average daily temperature (ADT) of  $65 \,^{\circ}$ F (18  $\,^{\circ}$ C).

#### Tech tips:

Providing supplemental lighting to 14 hours or longer will hasten flowering when light levels are less than 10 mol/day and day length is less than 14 hours.

## Example crop schedule for 6 inch pots

Week 1: Sow into 288 or similar plug tray.

Week 2: Lower temperature to 64-68 °F (1820°C) once cotyledons have expanded.

Week 4: PGR spry B-Nine or Bonzi to tone
plugs.

Week 5: Transplant one to two plugs per pot for
6 inch pots and finish at 65 °F ADT.

Week 9: PGR as needed, spray PGRs

recommended in finished culture

notes.

Week 12-13: Finish

Moisture	Description	
Level	_	
1 Dry	Soil is tan to gray in color, trays are	
	extremely light, soil pulls away from	
	sides of container.	
2 Medium	Soil is light brown in color, no water	
	can be extracted and soil will	
	crumble apart.	
3 Moist	Soil is brown in color, strongly	
	squeezing the soil will extract a few	
	drops of water and trays are light	
	with no visible bend.	
4 Wet	Soil is dark brown but <u>not</u> shiny, no	
	free water is seen at the surface of	
	the soil. When pressed or squeezed	
	water drips easily and trays are	
	heavy with visible bend in the	
	middle.	
5 Saturated	Soil is dark brown and shiny, free	
	water is present at the surface of the	
	soil. Water drips freely from bottom	
	of tray and they are heavy with a	
	visible bend in the middle.	

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