

Culture Information

Nemesia

Plant type:	Tender annual
Uses:	Outdoor containers and garden for Spring, Summer or Autumn.
Sowing:	January – February for April and May sales. July sowings of Poetry will be ready for colour sales in September. 19 - 21°C. Cover Poetry with a thin layer of fine Vermiculite. Do not cover Sundrops. Temperatures in excess of 21°C can cause low erratic germination. Germination 3 - 5 days.

Approximate crop timing (mid season)

Sowing to flowering	13 – 15 weeks: Sundrops 12 – 13 weeks: Poetry
Ball 84 to flowering	7 – 8 weeks: Poetry
Ball 230 to flowering	9 - 10 weeks: Poetry

Growing on:

Temperature	Best grown-on in cool temperatures. Day 17 – 21°C, night 13 – 16°C.
pH	5.8 - 6.5
Feeding	Balanced moderate level feeding programme
Planting out spacing	20 - 25cm Sundrops 25 – 30cm Poetry
Growth regulation	Not usually necessary.
Pack/Pot size	9cm, 10.5cm pots or six pack
Advice	Take care to avoid root damage at transplantation as this will cause “plant check”. Plug production and direct sowing pack production are best. Use a soft potting technique. Shade from bright sun.
Common diseases	Pythium and other root infections. INSV spread by thrips, monitor.

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