

Grower's Facts

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Vinca

Vinca rosea Pacifica Burgundy Halo

PLANTATION: Sow the seeds 10 weeks before the last frost. Keep the temperature around 26 °C. Germination time is between 7–15 days. Seeds need darkness to germinate cover with vermiculite.

SOIL: Indoor: A well-drained, porous sowing media is best to prevent overwatering.

Outdoor: Dry soil.

PLANTING:

Step 1: plow the soil about 30 cm (12 inches). Add an equal part of potting soil and mix well. Dig a hole approximately the same length as the container and about 1 ½ to 3 times the width.

Step 2: slightly squeeze the container, tap out the plant, and delicately free the roots. If the roots are too dense, liberate the fibers by inserting a knife or a transplanter. Separate the roots carefully, and then place in the hole.

* **Good to know:** Use an organic bone meal or a «soil activator» when transplanting to stimulate root development. Follow the instructions for use on the package.

Fill up the hole with garden soil. Slightly press the soil around the base of the plant to favor the contact between the roots and the soil. Water regularly every 2 or 3 days until the soil is well compacted.

Note: After transplanting vincas, it is necessary to water abundantly without using fertilizer. Irrigate them in the morning so that the water on the leaves can evaporate during the day. Watering late in the day and when air circulation is poor promotes disease development, since the leaves do not have time to dry before the end of the day. If your plants seem to need water in the afternoon, it is best to wait until the next morning before watering them.