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Ricinus communis
Gibsonii

PLANTATION: Sow the seeds 2-3 weeks before the last frost. Keep the temperature between 21-22°C. Germination time is between 6 and 12 days. Put 1-2 seeds per plug, sowing directly in final pots is recommended.

SOIL:

Indoor: A well-drained, porous sowing media is best to prevent overwatering. **Outdoor:** Moist, rich 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 % 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. Fallow 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: Transplant it in full sun, as it likes the heat, in ordinary soil that has been loosened and enriched with ripe compost. Consider placing a stake as soon as planting in windy areas to support the plant. Water them at least twice a week to ensure exuberant growth. The Castor Bean is one of the rare ornamental plants that does not require any maintenance during its growing season.