

## Perovskia Atriplicifolia

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### Propagation

Not Applicable.

### Growing On to Finish

#### Media

Use a well-drained, disease-free, soilless media with a pH of 5.6 to 6.2 and standard nursery fertilizer.

#### Light

Grow in full sun conditions for best color.

#### Fertilizer

Use typical fertilizer used with your regular nursery crops.

#### Pinching

A light pruning can be effective in the late Winter to tone up product for Spring sales.

#### Cold Treatment

Cold treatment is beneficial, but not required for flowering. Plants should be bulked under natural short days for a 4-8 week period. Mature, bulked-up plants will respond more favorably to cold treatment for a duration of 6 to 15 weeks.

#### Spacing

Space at initial potting for full plants.

#### Potential Pests

Mites, whitefly and aphids

#### Crop Scheduling

This crop will follow a similar production schedule as other Russian Sage cultivars. Crop schedules listed below are general guidelines. Many factors can contribute to faster or slower growth rates. Please keep this in mind when developing your production schedule.

#### Transplant to #1 nursery container finish:

10 to 12 weeks

#### Container Size

#1-gallon (18 cm) pot: 1 plant per container

#### Flowering

Perovskia will flower under any daylength after cold treatment and will flower without cold treatment under long days.

32-cell liners are available through the Ball Seed supplier network.

**NOTE:** Growers should use the information presented here as a starting point. Crop times will vary depending on the climate, location, time of year and greenhouse environmental conditions. Chemical and PGR recommendations are only guidelines. It is the responsibility of the applicator to read and follow all the current label directions for the specific chemical being used in accordance with all regulations.