

## Viola species

### Propagation

Propagation is easy from seed and these plants self-seed readily. In Australia they live in a very wide range of locations on the eastern and southern coasts ranging from South Australia and Tasmania all the way to Queensland and into Papua New Guinea.

**Pre-treatment:** This seed germinates readily and requires no pre-treatment.

**Sow:** In warm areas at any time. In frost prone areas in a greenhouse or under glass or outdoors after the danger of frost has passed.

**Propagation:** In any good quality medium potting mix. Sprinkle the seed over the surface of the media and cover lightly. Compact lightly and keep moist but not wet. When watering, use a watering can with a rose to avoid seed disturbance where possible. Propagation can be in a seed bed or in small pots or containers. Separate out and plant out or plant on into final container when the seedling is large enough to handle.

**Cultivation:** They prefer a reasonably damp spot with some shade required. Ideal for tubs, pots and hanging baskets. They prefer a light loamy soil kept moist but can tolerate clay or heavy soils.

