

Lavandula species

Propagation

Pre-treatment: Pre-treatments are not necessary for this species but note that it can be slow to start germinating.

Sow: In Spring or Autumn. In frost prone areas in a greenhouse or under glass or outdoors after the danger of frost has passed. Best temperatures to start seeds when temperatures are 18 - 21°C.

Propagation: Best to start seeds in trays or tubes in a sunny, warm position. Use any good quality well drained potting mix with added perlite or vermiculite and best to surface sow or only just cover seeds with the media or sand as the seeds need light to germinate.

Mist spray as not to dislodge seeds, keep moist but not too wet.

Separate out and plant out or plant on into final container when the seedling is large enough to handle and has a few leaves per plant, at about 5 - 7.5cm tall is best and seedlings are well established.

Cultivation: Best grown in full sun and grows as a clumping perennial.

Be sure to sun harden seedlings slowly as not to shock them too much when changing position of plant.

Growth will be slow in the first year but by year two, it should be a good size and even may get flowers!

