## **Kalmia species**

PRE-TREATMENT – Cold stratification is required for this species for 60 days at 2.5° to 5°C to break dormancy.

Mix seeds with an equal amount of moist peat in an air tight plastic container or zip lock bag. Check regularly to be sure the peat is still moist.

SOWING – Once seeds have been cold stratified it is time to sow the seeds.

Use a good quality propagation mix containing a good amount of peat and moisten.

Sprinkle a few stratified seed in (each hole) seed trays or pots 1.75cm deep.

The best time to sow is early Spring in greenhouse conditions.

Keep seeds exposed to light and maintain a temperature of about 24°C to hasten germination.

These seeds can be very slow to germinate, longer than 4 weeks.

Prick seedlings out into individual pots into a good quality potting media 2-6 months after germination.

