Brachychiton species

Soak seed overnight in hot water.

Brachychiton develop large tap roots at an early age. Use a pot or tube with good depth to accommodate this - we use forestry tubes for this purpose.

Sow seed to the depth of the width of the seed in a good quality potting mix. Maintain the growing media in a moist but not damp condition, too much moisture can result in seed rotting or damping off.

Brachychiton germinate best at a temperature of 20°C or higher with tropical species responding to temperatures over 25°C.

Prick individual seedlings out into individual tubes after the development of the second true leaf. Take care not to damage young roots. Brachychiton develop strong taproots early so it is advisable to place them in deep pots or tubes to accommodate.

Grow on as desired. Protect against slugs, snails and grasshoppers.

Plant out after the danger of frost has passed in a sunny fertile position where water is readily available. Water seedlings regularly until established. It is best to site seedlings in their final position when planting out.