Cyperus species

PRE-TREATMENT – This species required no pre-treatment prior to sowing but the media should be sterilized prior to using.

SOWING – Best time for sowing is in Autumn or Spring.

Make a mix of sieved compost or peat with added washed river sand and place into a seed tray. Pour boiling water over the media until thoroughly soaked.

Place the sterilized seed tray into an airtight container, pour a bit of the boiled water in the bottom of the container and place in an airtight container. Pour a bit of the boiled water in the bottom of the container – just enough to cover the bottom about a few mm deep so the seed tray is in contact with the bottom of the seed tray.

Replace lid and allow to cool.

When the media has cooled, sprinkle the seeds over the top and replace the lid on the container.

Ensure that the media stays moist at all times with some water in the bottom of the container.

Place container in a greenhouse in a well lit area.

Seeds take 14 to 30 days to germinate but can take longer depending on conditions.

Ensure that the container always has water in it and that it doesn't dry out.

Prick out when they shoot and repot into a water saturated organic soil and sandy media and then when 5-10cm tall they can be planted in the garden, preferring a wet or boggy position.

Keep plants moist.