

Xerochrysum species

Propagation

When to sow – In warm areas or in a glass house sow seeds at any time. In frost prone areas sow after the danger of frost has passed.

Where to grow – full sun to part shade in any well-drained soil enriched with artificial or natural fertiliser. They respond well to rich soil. They are suitable for the garden, a rockery or in pots.

Sowing – if weeds no problem then sow in permanent position and space about 10 - 20cm apart. Cover lightly with soil. Alternatively, they can be sown in a tray. Sow thinly on surface in wet well compressed soil. Water every day until germination in 5 - 10 days and regularly in dry weather.

Plant out – at 5cm about 20cm apart. Water in well and then weekly in dry weather. They benefit from light applications of a low-phosphate slow release organic fertiliser.

