# GrowerFacts

Annuals Culture (revised 11/08/23)

# Verbena Quartz Series

(Verbena x hybrida)

Plug crop time: 5 weeks Transplant to finish: Spring 7 to 9 weeks, Summer 6 to 7 weeks

• Approximately 2 weeks later to flower than Quartz XP varieties.

# **General Information**

Exposure	Bloom Season	Height	Spread	Spacing
Sun	Spring, Late Spring, Summer, Late Summer, Autumn	10-12 in. (25-30 cm)	12-14 in. (30-36 cm)	10-14 in. (25-36 cm)

## **Germination**

Seed Form	Recommended Plug Size	Seeds/Cell	Plug Crop Weeks	Days from 50% to maximum germination	Initial Media pH/EC (1:2)	Cover Seed
PRM, RAW	288	1	5-6	4-6	5.8-6.2 pH 0.5-0.7 mmhos/cm	Yes

# **Plug Production**

	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4
Moisture	Level 3	Level 4	Level 3-4	Level 3-4
Temperature	72-75°F (22-24°C)	70-72°F (21-22°C)	68-70°F (20-21°C)	68-70°F (20-21°C)
Light	Optional	1,500-2,500 f.c. (16,100-26,900 Lux)	1,500-2,500 f.c. (16,100-26,900 Lux)	2,500-5,000 f.c. (26,900-53,800 Lux)
Fertiliser		Less than 100 ppm N (Less than 0.7 EC)	100 to 175 ppm N (0.7 to 1.2 EC)	100 to 175 ppm N (0.7 to 1.2 EC)

#### **Propagation Key Tips**

Avoid excessive moisture in plug media during germination Stage 1. If needed, 1 to 3 applications of B-Nine/Alar (daminozide) at 1,250 ppm (1.5 g/l 85% formulation or 2 g/l 64% formulation) spray has been tested and shown to be effective. In warmer climates, it is also possible to apply A-rest (ancymidol) at 10 ppm (37.6 ml/l, 0.0264% formulation) as a foliar spray.

## **Growing on to Finish**

Growing on Temperature	Target Media pH/EC (1:2)	Fertiliser	Daylength
(day) 65-70°F (18-21°C) (night) 60°F (16°C)	5.5-6.2 pH 1.5-2.0 mmhos/cm	175 to 225 ppm N (1.2 to 1.5 EC)	Facultative Long Day

## **Crop Scheduling**

Container Size	Plugs/Pot	Crop Time	Season	PGR
Cell Pack	1 (ppp)	6-8 (weeks)	Spring	-
Cell Pack	1 (ppp)	5-7 (weeks)	Summer	-

#### **Fertiliser Notation**

Use a predominantly nitrate-based fertilizer with low phosphorus. If needed, a balanced ammonium and nitrate-based fertilizer may be used as needed to encourage growth and balance the media pH.

#### **Chemical Sensitivity**

#### **Common Problems**

Insects: Mites, Thrips Diseases: Powdery Mildew

#### **Finishing Key Tips**

Growth Regulators: For warm climates B-Nine/Alar (daminozide) at 3,500 ppm applied as foliar spray or 2 applications of A-Rest (ancymidol) at 20 ppm as a foliar spray. For Northern European conditions 2 to 3 applications plus 3,200 B-Nine/Alar at 3,200 ppm plus Cycocel (chormequat) at 375 ppm is recommended.

NOTE: Growers should use the information presented here as guidelines only. PanAmerican Seed recommends that growers conduct a trial of products under their own conditions. Crop times will vary depending on the climate, location, time of year, and greenhouse environmental conditions. It is the responsibility of the grower to confirm the treatment is available in their region as well as read and follow all the current label directions relating to the products. Nothing herein shall be deemed a warranty or guaranty by PanAmerican Seed of any products listed herein. PanAmerican Seed's terms and conditions of sale shall apply to all products listed herein.

# **Variety Pictures**





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