



GrowerFacts Extra
Osteospermum Akila
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INTRODUCTION

Culture Information for Osteospermum Akila

YOUNG PLANT CULTURE

- Sow 1 seed per cell using 288 or larger trays
- Cover with vermiculite
- Germinate at 65-68°F
 - Avoid temperatures above 70F as this may negatively impact germination
- Light is optional
- Plug time is 4-5 weeks
- PGR is not normally needed
 - Daminozide 2500-3000ppm spray 3 weeks after sowing if necessary



Purple

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FINISHING CULTURE

- Transplant 1ppp in 306 pack or quart pot, 1-2 ppp in gallon pot.
- Osteospermum Akila is best finished cool
 - day 60-70°F
 - night 50-55°F



Cold Frame

Greenhouse

Akila
Lavender
Shades



Akila
White

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FINISHING CULTURE

- PGR applications are not needed when grown cool
- If needed, daminozide 2500ppm/ chlormequat chloride 500ppm tank mix is effective at controlling habit
- Avoid insecticides with methiocarb, as this may affect flower color
- Crop time in spring grown cool is 10-12 weeks from transplant
- Supplemental lighting where DLI is low will accelerate flowering



Lavender Shades

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B9 2500ppm/
CCC 1000ppm

Control

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Daisy White



Lavender Shades



White Purple Eye



Sunset Shades



Grand Canyon Mix



Purple



White