

Dusty Miller Maritima Silverdust

(*Cineraria maritima/Senecio cineraria*)

Annuals Culture (revised 10/16/25)

Plug crop time: 4 to 5 weeks

Transplant to finish: 7 to 8 weeks

- Finely cut, silvery white, velvety foliage on uniform plants.
- Adds contrast and texture to beds and borders.
- Size and uniform habit also make Silverdust perfect for container plantings.
- Seed is graded for more uniform germination.

General Information

Exposure	Bloom Season	Height	Spread	Spacing
Sun	Late Spring, Summer, Late Summer, Autumn	10 in. (25 cm)	10 in. (25 cm)	10-12 in. (25-30 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
PEL, RAW	288	1	4-5	3-5	5.5-5.8 pH 0.75 mmhos/cm	No

Plug Production

	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4
Moisture	Level 4	Level 4-2	Level 3-2	Level 3-2
Temperature	68-77°F (20-25°C)	68-73°F (20-23°C)	65-70°F (18-21°C)	60-62°F (16-17°C)
Light	Optional	1,000-2,500 f.c. (10,800-26,900 Lux)	1,000-2,500 f.c. (10,800-26,900 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)
PGR			daminozide/2,500-5,000 ppm/Spray	

Fertiliser Notation

Once cotyledons have fully expanded, fertilise with 50 to 75 ppm from 14-0-14 every other irrigation. At Stage 3, increase fertiliser to 100 to 175 ppm 20-10-20 alternating with 14-0-14.

Propagation Key Tips

Preventative fungicide for Alternaria is recommended. Keep foliage as dry as possible to reduce risk of diseases.

Growing on to Finish

Growing on Temperature	Target Media pH/EC (1:2)	Fertiliser	Daylength
(day) 60-65°F (16-18°C) (night) 55-58°F (13-14°C)	5.5-5.8 pH 1.2-1.5 mmhos/cm	175 to 225 ppm N (1.2 to 1.5 EC)	-

Crop Scheduling

Container Size	Plugs/Pot	Crop Time	Season	PGR
4"/4.5"/Quart/10 cm	1 (ppp)	6-8 (weeks)	Spring	daminozide 5,000 ppm Spray
5"/6"/1 Gallon/15 cm	3 (ppp)	6-8 (weeks)	Spring	daminozide 5,000 ppm Spray

Fertiliser Notation

Fertilize with 175 to 225 ppm 14-0-14 to increase silver "fuzz" on leaves.

Common Problems

Diseases: Foliage diseases. Take preventative measures and try to keep foliage as dry as possible.

Finishing Key Tips

Pinching not recommended. For height control, use daminozide as needed.

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.

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