

Nemesia

Plant type:	Tender annual
Uses:	Outdoor containers and garden for Spring, Summer or Autumn.
Sowing:	January – February for April and May sales. July sowings of Poetry will be ready for colour sales in September. 19 - 21°C. Cover Poetry with a thin layer of fine Vermiculite. Do not cover Sundrops. Temperatures in excess of 21°C can cause low erratic germination. Germination 3 - 5 days.

Approximate crop timing (mid season)

Sowing to flowering	13 – 15 weeks: Sundrops 12 – 13 weeks: Poetry
Ball 84 to flowering	7 – 8 weeks: Poetry
Ball 230 to flowering	9 - 10 weeks: Poetry

Growing on:

Temperature	Best grown-on in cool temperatures. Day 17 – 21°C, night 13 – 16°C.
pH	5.8 - 6.5
Feeding	Balanced moderate level feeding programme
Planting out spacing	20 - 25cm Sundrops/Nebula 25 – 30cm Poetry
Growth regulation	Not usually necessary.
Pack/Pot size	Poetry: Packs 9 - 10.5cm , Sundrops/Nebula: Packs, 10.5 - 12cm
Advice	Take care to avoid root damage at transplantation as this will cause “plant check”. Plug production and direct sowing pack production are best. Use a soft potting technique. Shade from bright sun.
Common diseases	Pythium and other root infections. INSV spread by thrips, monitor.

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