

# Chrysanthemum (Garden Mums)

<b>Plant type:</b>	Tender perennial
<b>Uses:</b>	Pot plant, mixed containers
<b>Plant height:</b>	20-25cm

## Approximate crop timing (mid season)

Bran series:	Delivered in Ball 84 plugs in weeks 20-26, flowering approximately 10-12 weeks after potting. Select early season varieties for sales end August- September or select mid-season varieties for October-December sales.
Belgian series:	Delivered in Ball 84 plugs in weeks 22 and 24, flowering for September/October sales.

## Growing on:

Temperature	Grow under protection at between 14 - 20°C for the first 2 weeks. Grow outside after 2 weeks from potting.
Feeding	Use a pot plant compost mix 15:10:20 at 1.5 kg/m <sup>3</sup> feed with a balanced liquid feed.
Growth regulation	No growth regulators required.
Pack/Pot size	Bran series: Use 1 plant in a 1-2 litre pot or 3 plants in a 3-5 litre pot Belgian series: Use 1 plant in a 3 litre pot
Advice	Pinching usually not necessary, however if growth is uneven, pinch from 10 days after potting. Pinching will delay the crop by 7 -10 days. Do not allow the crop to dry out. Space Belgian types 50cm apart to develop a “ball” habit with a 40 – 45cm diameter.
Common pests and diseases	Susceptible to Aphids, Whitefly and Leafhoppers.

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