PROPAGATION

Gaillardia Spintop Series

Gaillardia aristata



Copper Sun, Mariachi Copper Sun, Mariachi Red Sky, Orange Halo, Red, Red Sunburst Imp, Yellow Touch



'Red'

TRAY & ROOTING

Form Unrooted Cuttings (URC)

Rooting Hormone **Optional**

Tray Size(s) **72, 105**

Plants Per Cell **1**

Wks. From Stick To

4-6

Transplant

Pinch? Yes

Days from stick to pinch 21-25

FERTILITY

Fertilize Through Mist? **No**

50-75 ppm N (20-6-22 or

Fertilizer Rate 22-5-16 [15-0-15 under low light conditions]

low-light conditions])

EC Range Moderate: (2.0-3.5 mS

via SME)

pH Range **5.4-6.0**

TEMPERATURE

Average Soil Temperature 72-78°F (22-26°C)

Average Air Temperature 65-72°F (18-22°C)

IRRIGATION

Level 3: Keep media moderately moist with

mild dry cycles

LIGHT

Supplemental Optional

Benefits From Shade? **No**

POTENTIAL DISEASES

Botrytis, root rot

POTENTIAL PESTS

whitefly, aphids

PGR SUGGESTIONS

- Optional 300-500 ppm Florel (3.9% Ethephon)
- Optional 1500-2500 B-Nine (85% Daminozide)

TIPS

• If buds are present when the cuttings arrive, remove them before sticking.

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FINISHING

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Vernalization Required? No

Vernalization Duration

Minimum

Vernalization Temperature N/A

CONTAINER SIZE TRANSPLANT TO **PLANTS** PER POT FINISH (WEEKS)

N/A

4 in./qt (10-12 cm) 1 6-8 6 in./Gal. (15-16 cm) 2 6-8

FERTILITY

150-200 ppm N (20-6-22 or 22-5-16

Fertilizer Rate [15-0-15 under low-light

conditions])

Moderate: (2.0-3.5 mS via SME) EC Range

pH Range 5.4 - 6.0

TEMPERATURE

Day Temperature 65-75°F (18-24°C)

Night Temperature 55-65°F (13-18°C)

IRRIGATION

Level 3: Keep media moderately Irrigation Frequency

moist with mild dry cycles

LIGHT

Photoperiodic **Daylength Neutral** requirements

Supplemental? None

Benefits From Shade? No

PINCHING

Finishing Pinch? Yes

Transplant to pinch (days) 14-21

POTENTIAL DISEASES

Botrytis, root rot

POTENTIAL PESTS

whitefly, aphids

PGR SUGGESTIONS

- 2500 ppm B-Nine (85% Daminozide) as needed'
- 3-5 ppm Sumagic (0.055% Uniconazole) as needed





'Orange Halo'

TIPS

- To improve habit and potentially reduce finish time, transplant gaillardia plugs deep enough to bury the first node under the soil media.
- Proper spacing and fertilization is required to avoid leaf yellowing and stretching.
- Remove early flower buds to help build a large healthy finished product.

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FEATURES AND BENEFITS

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First Year Flowering?



Yes **Spring to Late Summer** Bloom Time

Full Sun Exposure

Hardiness Zone 3-9

Height 8-10 inches (20-25 cm) Width 18-24 inches (46-60 cm)

DESCRIPTION

'Spintop' Gaillardia is the best compact Gaillardia on the market with fantastic colors and large flowers.

CONSUMER APPEAL

• Gaillardia is an outstanding pollinator plant attracting bees. butterflies, and other beneficial insects. Unless dead-headed, the spent flowers provide food for birds during the winter months.

GARDEN ATTRIBUTES

- The vibrant blooms can be used as cut flowers.
- Ideal in perennial borders, rock gardens, pollinator gardens, and cut-flower gardens. Due to its compact and well-behaved nature, 'Spintop' is a terrific choice for containers; both mixed and single-species.
- Although 'Spintop' prefers well-drained soils, it can tolerate a wide range of soil conditions though heavy un-amended clay is not recommended. Once established, Gaillardia is very drought and heat tolerant.
- Although it isn't necessary, spent flowers may be deadheaded throughout the growing season to promote reblooming and freshen up the plant. Late in the season, spent blooms should remain on the plant as a food source for birds.

NATIVITY

Native to North America with concentrated populations in the central United States and Canada.

Salvia, Achillea, Coreopsis, Solidago, Artemisia, Dianthus, Perovskia, Nepeta, Penstemon, Lavandula, Gaura

COMMON NAME(S)

blanket flower



Yellow Touch'

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