# **PROPAGATION**

# **PETUNIA ORIGAMI**

## Petunia x hybrida

TRAY & ROOTING	
Form	Vegetative Cutting (URC)
Rooting Hormone?	No
Tray Size	50, 72, 84, 105
Plants Per Cell	1
Days In Mist	7-10
Wks. From Stick To Transplant	3-4
Propagation Pinch?	Yes
Weeks To Pinch	3

Fertilize Through Mist?	<b>50-75ppm N</b>
Fertilizer Rate	100-150ppm N
EC Range	Moderate: (2.0-3.5 mS v

SME)

pH Range **5.5-6.0** 

# TEMPERATURE

Average Soil Temp	70-75°F (21-24°C)
Average Air Temp (Day)	70-75°F (21-24°C)
Average Air Temp(Night)	68-72°F (20-22°C)

### **IRRIGATION**

	Level 3: Keep media
Irrigation Frequency	moderately moist with
	mild dry cycles

#### LIGHT

Daylength Neutral?	Yes
Supplemental	None
Benefits From Shade?	No

## POTENTIAL DISEASES

Botrytis, Pythium, Rhizoctonia

#### POTENTIAL PESTS

Aphids, Thrips, Whitefly

### PGR SUGGESTIONS

• Tank mix 250ppm Florel (3.9% Ethephon) + 500ppm B-Nine (85% Daminozide)





'Pinkerbell 2024'

### **TIPS**

- After sticking, water the cuttings uniformly to help "seat" them in the soil media. Good soil to stem contact is important for rooting. Overmisting or delayed mist reduction leads to slower rooting and causes iron deficiency.
- Petunias can be pinched in the liner stage to prevent stretch and promote basal branching but the grower must determine if this is necessary.
- This series is naturally compact and does not require frequent PGR when grown under optimal conditions and high light.

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# **FINISHING**

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CONTAINER SIZE

	PER POT	FINISH (WEEKS)
4 in. (10 cm) and up	1	3-5
Quart (12 cm)	1	5-6
10 in. (22 cm) and up	3	8-12
FERTILITY		
Fertilizer Rate	200-250 ppm N	
EC Range	High: (3.5-5 mS via SME)	
pH Range	5.6-6.2	
TEMPERATURE		
Day Temperature	65-73°F	(18-23°C)
Night Temperature	62-64°F (17-18°C)	
IRRIGATION		
Irrigation Frequency	Level 3: Keep media moderately moist with mild dry cycles	
LIGHT		
Daylength Neutral?	Yes	
Optimum Light Level	5,000-8,000 fc (53,800- 86,100 lux)	

None

No

PLANTS TRANSPLANT TO

# PINCHING

Supplemental

Finishing Pinch? **No**Transplant to Pinch (days) **N/A** 

# POTENTIAL DISEASES

Benefits From Shade?

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## POTENTIAL PESTS

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### **PGR SUGGESTIONS**

- 500ppm B-Nine (85% Daminozide) + 750ppm Cycocel (11.8% Chlormequat) as a tank mix
- Bonzi (0.4% Paclobutrazol) drench 0.5-1ppm when plants have reached saleable size to tone for retail.





'Pink Star'

### **TIPS**

- High light and a negative DIF will reduce stretch.
- Fertilizers with increased iron and micronutrients are best.
- Allow media to dry moderately between waterings but do not allow plants to wilt. Avoid saturated media. Petunias are susceptible to root diseases if overwatered.
- Avoid high-rate PGR applications; they can distort the finished habit. Use of PGRs can delay flowering by up to 2 weeks, avoid applications when flower buds are present.
- Pinch after transplant ONLY when liner has not been treated or soft-pinch for shaping.

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# FEATURES AND BENEFITS

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## **KEY INFORMATION**

Primary Common Name Petunia

Consumer Watering Water thoroughly when top Instructions 1 inch (3cm) of soil is dry.

Bloom Time Blooms Spring to Autumn

Exposure Full Sun to Part Sun

Height **10-14 inches (25-36 cm)** 

Garden Spacing 9-12 inches (23-30 cm)



Essentially a double-flowering Potunia<sup>®</sup> making this series very easy to grow. Origami blooms strongly resemble that of a rose, but far lower maintenance and far more of them!



'Burgundy'

## CONSUMER APPEAL

• Burgundy, Lavender Touch, and Watermelon have been available on the European market for several years making this series a tried and true choice.

## **GARDEN ATTRIBUTES**

- A low maintenance series with luxurious flower-power and an appealing growth habit.
- Versatile uses ranging from containers, to hanging baskets, to landscape plantings.
- Consider sheering off 10-15% of the outer foliage during the heat of the summer to promote reblooming.



Of hybrid origin: Petunia genus native to South America.



'Watermelon'

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