# **PROPAGATION**

# Agastache Betterbuzz

Agastache aurantiaca

## TRAY & ROOTING

Form Unrooted Cuttings

(URC)

Rooting Hormone **Yes** 

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

Plants Per Cell 1

Wks. From Stick To

Transplant

4-5

Pinch? Yes

Days from stick to pinch 18-21

## **FERTILITY**

Fertilize Through Mist? No

100-150 ppm N (20-6-22

Fertilizer Rate or 22-5-16 [15-0-15

under low-light conditions])

EC Range 1.0-1.25 mS via SME

pH Range **5.8-6.2** 

## **TEMPERATURE**

Average Soil Temperature 70-72°F (21-22°C)

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

## **IRRIGATION**

Level 3: Keep media

Irrigation Frequency moderately moist with mild dry cycles - do not

overmist

#### LIGHT

Supplemental No

Benefits From Shade? **No** 

## POTENTIAL DISEASES

Botrytis

## POTENTIAL PESTS

aphids, thrips, whitefly

## **PGR SUGGESTIONS**

None



## **CULTIVAR LIST**

Amarillo, Amber, Violetta



'Amarillo'

## **TIPS**

- As with all vegetative cuttings, sticking upon arrival is ideal. If this isn't possible, store in a cooler at 45° F (7°C) for no more than 16 hours after delivery.
- Reduce mist as soon as cuttings become turgid (generally 1-2 days after stick). Avoid overmisting and overwatering.

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## **FINISHING**

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Vernalization Required? No

Vernalization Duration

N/A

T7 11 .1 FD

Minimum

BT/A

Vernalization Temperature **N/A** 

CONTAINER SIZE PLANTS TRANSPLANT TO PER POT FINISH (WEEKS)

7 in./Gal. (15-16 cm) 1-2 8-11

8-10 in. (19-22 cm) 2-4 10-13

**FERTILITY** 

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

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

conditions])

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

pH Range **5.8-6.2** 

**TEMPERATURE** 

Day Temperature **65-75 (13-18°C)** 

Night Temperature **60-72 (7-13°C)** 

**IRRIGATION** 

Level 2: Allow media to dry

Irrigation Frequency moderately between thorough

waterings

LIGHT

Photoperiodic Long day: 12+ hours daily

requirements Hong day. 12. Hours daily

Supplemental? Optional Daylength Extension

Benefits From Shade? **No** 

PINCHING

Finishing Pinch? **No** 

Transplant to pinch (days) N/A

POTENTIAL DISEASES

Botrytis

POTENTIAL PESTS

aphids, thrips, white fly

## PGR SUGGESTIONS

- 5-8 ppm Sumagic (0.055% Uniconazole)
- 1-2 ppm Bonzi (0.4% Paclobutrazol) drench
- 2500–3750 ppm B-Nine (85% Daminozide), can delay flowering





'Violetta'

## **TIPS**

- Saturated soil media should be avoided at all costs, or Pythium and botrytis can set in.
- Plants best grown outdoor in full sun
- Utilize drip irrigation
- Preferred growing is on final spacing or plants may become leggy.

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# FEATURES AND BENEFITS

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First Year Flowering? Yes

Bloom Time Summer to Autumn

Exposure Full Sun

Hardiness Zone **6-10** 

Height **12-18 inches (30-46 cm)** 

Width 20 inches (51 cm)

## **DESCRIPTION**

Agastache is a great all-season crop that performs extremely well in hot areas. It will flower from summer into fall featuring new vivid colors.

## **CONSUMER APPEAL**

- The slender tube-like blooms help to attract all sorts of pollinators including butterflies and hummingbirds.
- Agastache works well along sunny borders, cottage gardens, pollinator gardens and in herb/sensory gardens. The aromatic foliage and tendency to attract butterflies make this plant a great choice for alongside patios or other high-traffic areas.
- Deadheading spent flower spikes will help promote flowering.

## **GARDEN ATTRIBUTES**

• Tolerant of many soil conditions ranging from medium to moist though well-drained is preferred. These plants can be relatively drought resistant once established after several years. Poorly drained or heavy clay soils may prevent this perennial from overwintering due to root rot issues.

#### **COMPANION PLANTS**

Campanula, Buddleia, Leucanthemum, Phlox, Houttuynia, Geranium

## **COMMON NAME(S)**

Giant hyssop



'Amber'

#### NATIVITY

• China, Vietnam, Korea and Japan

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