

# TIPS AND FAQs

## UPON ARRIVAL

When you receive your plants, immediately open the package to give your plants some fresh air and remove your plants from the box. Preferably open your box outside or somewhere that you don't mind getting messy, as some of the soil may have been shaken loose in transit.

Remove the plastic bag and sleeve from around the potted plant and discard any packing material clinging to the leaves or soil.

## WATER

Water your plants immediately after taking them out of the box. Give them enough water so that the soil appears damp and water trickles out the bottom of the pot.

## IF PLANTS APPEAR DRY

Sometimes plants may appear dried out and wilted after the voyage. Do not despair. Generally, when this happens the foliage may look lackluster but the rootstock is still perfectly healthy and alive. To plump your plants back up, water them and wait 5 minutes and then water them again. This will generally rehydrate them. Keep these plants well-watered until you can re-plant them into larger containers or in the garden.

If plants arrive dry, it is often because the roots have outgrown the small shipping pots and need more room to grow; roots tend to dry out quickly in small containers. This also means your plants are very much alive and when you transplant them into larger pots or the earth, they will start growing quickly! So, re-plant them as soon as possible.

## YELLOW OR BROWN LEAVES

When you receive your plants, there may be some yellowed or browned foliage on the plant. This is normal. Pull those leaves off your plant. This will encourage new leaves to grow.

If a lot of your plant looks yellow or brown and it makes you worried, take some scissors and cut your plant back, leaving about one inch of stem on the plant. This will give your plant a chance to restart and will promote bushier first season growth.

## TIME TO PLANT!

Your plants are now ready to be replanted! Pick a large container or area of the garden that you wish to place your plants. Give the soil you are about to plant into a nice deep watering before planting your plant. Pop your plants out of the shipping containers, replant, and water again.

We recommend replanting in the morning or evening when outside temperatures are not at extremes. This will allow for proper water uptake from the roots.

## TIPS

These scented Geranium are a lot of fun. To release their fragrance, simply rub the foliage between your fingers and voila, a wonderful fragrance arrives!

These easy to grow plants look great in your flower beds or in containers where you can enjoy their beauty and fragrance. In cold weather regions, you can over-winter them by cutting the foliage back after the first freeze and then putting them in the garage, basement or wherever else is suitable until the cold weather has finished. In warm weather regions, they almost never rest!



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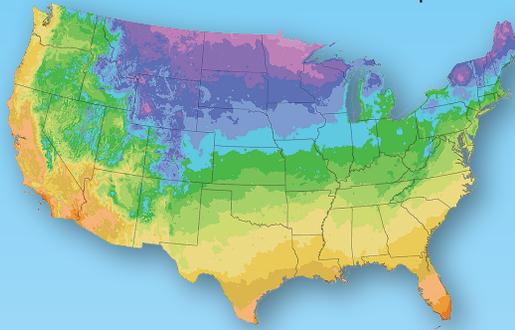
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## Plant Hardiness Zone Map



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## ROBERTA'S GARDENS PLANTING AND GROWING GUIDE



Scented Geranium Collections  
(Pelargonium hybrid)



## QUICK REFERENCE PLANTING GUIDE

LIGHT/SUN EXPOSURE:	Full to Part Sun
USDA HARDINESS ZONES:	9-11
PLANT TYPE	Annual
PLANTING DISTANCE:	12-14 inches
MATURE HEIGHT/SPREAD:	12-18 inches 10-12 inches
BLOOM TIME:	Late Spring – Early Autumn
PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS:	Remove plastic bag and sleeve from around potted plant(s). Discard any packing material clinging to the leaves or soil. Transplant into a larger 12-16 inch container or together in larger containers with adequate drainage holes.
(soil preparation, depth, which end is up, etc.)	

## PLANTING GUIDE

1  
STEP

Remove plastic bag and sleeve from around potted plant(s). Discard any packing material clinging to the leaves or soil. Pull away any yellow or brown leaves or spent flowers that may have occurred during transit. If you cannot plant it into garden or larger pot within a few days, make sure it stays well watered.

2  
STEP

Transplant into a larger 12-14 inch container or together in larger container with adequate drainage holes. They can also be planted directly in garden spacing adequately. Water in well.

3  
STEP

You should place plants outside as long as evening temperatures stay above 50 degrees Fahrenheit.

4  
STEP

These are annuals and can't take frost.

## CONTINUING CARE

### PLANT PREPARATION

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### POTTED PLANTS

Repot the plants into larger 12 to 14 inch pots separately or together in larger containers.

### SOIL

They like bagged potting mixes for houseplants that will drain well. Most garden centers carry various brand names with perlite, vermiculite, soil and sand.

### GARDEN PREPARATION

If your soil is clayish amend it with a standard garden soil for adequate drainage.

### PLANTING SPACING

If planting into the garden space them 12-14 inches apart. If planting into a container allow for adequate air ventilation on deck or patio.

### PLANT HEIGHT AND WIDTH

These grow about 12-14 inches tall and wide.

### WATER

They are incredibly sturdy plants that need no more care than the average watering. These are exceptionally heat tolerant, making them the perfect water wise plant for your garden.

### FERTILIZER

For best results, use a high acid fertilizer once or twice a month like Roberta's Bounty.

### LIGHTING

These prefer full to part sun. More sun really makes a difference in blooming.

### BLOOMING

They bloom from late spring until mid-fall.

### TEMPERATURE ZONE 9 to 11

When nights stay above 50 degrees, place your plants outside and leave them there all season.

### WINTER SEASON

These are annuals and can't take a freeze. In warm winter areas, plants often do not rest even after 3 years!

## ADDITIONAL REFERENCE



Geranium  
Shipped as shown



Breathtaking in  
Window boxes



Blooms from Spring to  
Autumn



Simply rub the foliage to  
release its fragrance