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Busy Lizzie, Lobelia & Sweet Pea Guide

*Get the best from
your flowers*

Quick Tips

- Open packaging immediately on receipt and stand upright where appropriate.
- Remove bagging if present on the pots. If plants seem dry, place pots in a tray of water for half an hour.
- When growing in containers, don't fill to the brim with compost. Leave up to 2.5cm (1in) of pot on show to allow for watering – halve this for small pots and cell trays.
- If growing on the windowsill, turn plants regularly to prevent them stretching towards the light.
- Pots should always have drainage holes, but place on saucers/trays to prevent surface staining. It also helps retain extra water during summer heat.
- Always water prior to planting or potting on.
- Prepare soils ahead of planting. For the best establishment, work incredicompost® and incredibloom® fertiliser into the growing area. These will also give you the best results in containers displays too. Alternatively opt for regular liquid feeds through the season, starting at 6 weeks after planting.
- Avoid planting when soils are too wet or frozen.
- Acclimatise all indoor grown plants to outside conditions after the last frost. Harden off by placing outside by day and back undercover each evening for 7-10 days.



Busy Lizzies & Sunpatiens®: Plant directly into baskets, beds, containers and window boxes. Grow Busy Lizzies in any well drained soil, in sun or semi-shade. Feed and water frequently throughout the summer to promote an endless supply of colourful flowers. Sunpatiens® are a revolutionary Busy Lizzie which will withstand any conditions from rain, wind and humidity to scorching heat or cool shade. Plant into containers, beds or borders. 1 plant per 30cm (12in) container is adequate. Water well in dry weather but avoid getting water on the foliage.



Lobelia (Annual): Plug plants can be planted directly into flower pouches, baskets etc for placing out after the last frost. Feed and water frequently through summer to promote an endless supply of flowers.

Sweet Pea (Lathyrus): Our sweet pea plants are supplied with the growing tips pinched back to encourage bushy growth. Train onto a suitable support such as trellis or a free standing climbing frame. Try using our sweet pea support rings to tie the stems to their growing supports while they become established. Feed and water regularly throughout the growing season. It is essential to cut the flower stems frequently and deadhead faded blooms to prevent seedpods developing. This will encourage more blooms to be produced and extend the flowering period throughout summer.

Sweet Pea 'Sugar 'n' Spice' (Basket): Plant sweet pea plugs directly into hanging baskets using a good quality compost and grow them on in cool conditions. Water retaining gel and slow release fertiliser can be incorporated into the compost prior to planting. Care for your sweet peas the same as Lathyrus (detailed above).

Caution: Sweet pea seeds are harmful if eaten.

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