

Tips for Success

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.

Plants look Dry or Foliage appears Lackluster: Sometimes plants may appear dried out and wilted after the voyage. Do not despair. 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 within the next week. 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. 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. Remove any yellow or brown foliage. If a lot of the plant's foliage has yellowed, you may cut the foliage back to just above the soil line. This will give your plant a chance to restart, and it encourages bushier, thicker growth.

Time to Plant! Your plants are now ready to be replanted. Follow the planting guide inside for detailed instructions on how to most effectively plant your new plants.

Garden Uses: These are magnificent "bedding" plants with their mounded habit and enormous spreading characteristics. These are wonderful filling and spilling over container edges, window boxes, flower beds, walkways, and around your patio.

Sumo™ Petunias: These hybrids produce more flowers with each bloom being incredibly larger than normal petunias along with its huge mounded spreading habit. Grown from plant only and not seed, these contain stronger branches, larger foliage with more vigor and buds opening continuously from the center and all along the stems leaving no bare centered plants as the season progresses. These handle the heat and humidity much better and withstand windy conditions with their thicker and stronger stems. The amount of flowers and size of the blossoms is absolutely unmatched. You simply can't do better for the amount of color over such a long period of time.



Roberta's Gardens PLANTING AND GROWING GUIDE



Sumo™ Petunias
Petunia hybrida



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Annual and Tropical Plants

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Quick Reference



Plant Type: Annual



Light/Sun: Full to Partial Sun



Mature Height: 18-20"



Mature Spread: 36-48"

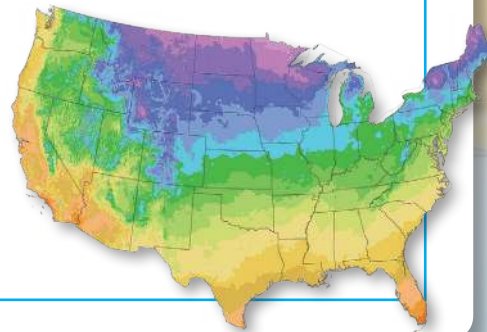


Bloom Time:

Late Spring to Mid Fall



USDA Hardiness Zones: 9 to 11



Plant Caretaking

Upon Arrival: Please take plants out of the box immediately and remove any shipping materials from around the plants. Give them some water and place them in a warm sunny area for 1-2 days before replanting.

Planting Depth & Spacing: Dig a deep enough hole so that the entire plant easily fits into the hole and the top of the soil line of your plant is flush with the top of the soil in the hole you have dug. It is important that the soil line of your plant does not protrude above the soil line in the ground or container. These Petunias spread a lot, space about 2.5-3' apart in the garden.

Potted Plants: Make sure your container has holes to allow excess water to drain. Place one plant in a 12-18" container, or you may plant multiple together in a larger pot or window box.

Soil Preparation: If your soil is clayish, amend it with standard potting mix to improve drainage. For container plants, any regular bagged potting mix is generally ok.

Watering: To determine if your plant needs water, put your finger in the top of the soil and if the top inch is dry, it is time to water. It is important to make sure young plants do not experience long periods of dryness. However, they also do not like soggy conditions. If plants look a bit wilted, that means they need some water.

Fertilizer: Use Roberta's Bounty a couple weeks after planting and then once or twice a month all summer long.

Pet Considerations: Ensure your pets do not consume plants.

Winter Dormancy: These are annuals and cannot handle a freeze. After the first frost, dig them out of your garden beds or containers and discard. In warm winter regions they may continue blooming all through the winter time.

Planting Steps

Step 1 Remove plants from their box and take off other packing materials. Open your box outside or somewhere you don't mind getting messy, as some of the soil may have been shaken loose in transit.

Step 2 Check if your plant is thirsty. They probably need a nice drink of water after their voyage. If the plant feels light or the soil is dry to the touch, give your plants a watering.

Step 3 Allow your plants time to adjust to their new home before re-planting by placing them in a warm sunny spot for 1-2 days. Then they will be ready for re-planting with renewed vigor.

Step 4 Pull away or cut off any yellow or brown leaves, or any old flowers – this is normal.

Step 5 Transplant into the garden or containers as soon as evening temperatures stay above 40F. Dig holes the width of the root ball and deep enough so that the original top of the soil is flush with the new soil line. Water the new location before and after planting your plant. This will help the young roots stay hydrated. Once you've placed your plant in the hole, fill in the rest of the hole with extra soil or potting mix, ensuring the entire root system is covered with soil.

