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All Treat Premium African Violet Soil

Ready to use straight from the bag - No additives needed

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will benefit flowering plants both indoors & outdoors.



DIRECTIONS:

Clean pots and utensils thoroughly with hot water and detergent, then rinse thoroughly. This will reduce carry-over of disease causing organisms to freshly potted plants.

TRANSPLANTING AND REPOTTING:

Select containers with top diameters equal to about one-half the plant height. Drainage holes may be covered with stone or broken pottery. Half fill with *All Treat Premium African Violet Soil* and water. Remove the plant from the old pot by tapping the pot in two or three places against the table or countertop and turning it upside down into your hand. Remove excess soil and spread roots over surface of the mix. Firm into place and fill container with potting mix to within 1 cm of top. Water thoroughly, and allow to drain.

WATERING:

Water only when Potting Soil feels dry to touch, at a depth of about 2.5 cm (1"). If plants show signs of wilting it is a signal to water thoroughly. It is important for you to develop a program of watering and fertilizing. **Do not** use softened water, since your plants could be injured by high salt levels. Collect rainwater or dehumidifier water if possible, for watering. It is worth the effort.

STARTING SEED:

Transfer mix to peat pots, starter greenhouse trays or small plant flats. Water and smooth surface of the mix. Sprinkle seed evenly over the surface, cover lightly with the mix, as per seed package directions and water carefully. Cover containers with domes or glass. Place in well lit area, but not in direct sunlight. Water carefully after seeds germinate if required. When seedlings are about 1.25 to 2.5 cm (0.5" to 1"), take off covers and when plants are of appropriate size, transfer to containers. If planting directly to flower or vegetable garden, harden plants to outside temperature and light conditions over a period of 5 to 7 days. With larger seeds, sow one or two seeds per pot container or plant in trays 2.5 – 5 cm (1" – 2") apart. Follow directions given above.

FERTILIZING:

You may find, particularly with slow growing seedlings or cuttings that a fertilizer program may be required. This will be indicated by yellowing of leaves or static growth. Dilute your fertilizer as described on the container and fertilize every 2nd week.

CUTTINGS:

Cut off healthy pieces of plant 7.5 to 15 cm (3" to 6") in length. Strip off all leaves from lower half of cutting. Use clean utensil to make a small hole in the mix and place the cutting in the hole. Firm the mix around the cutting. Repeat for each cutting. Root formation usually has begun when cutting develops firmness and new growth is apparent. This can be verified by noting resistance to plant movement by giving it a gentle tug. Transplant with *All Treat Premium African Violet Soil* in containers as described or to prepared beds or garden soil. It is wise to harden plants by gradually increasing periods of exposure to outside temperature and light conditions.



NOTE:

Plants need repotting when there is little or no growth, leaves start to yellow or the roots start growing from the drainage holes in the bottom of the pot.