

## • Martha Washington

### *characteristics*

These beautiful plants are native to the mountain region. Also known as Regal or Pansy Geraniums, these plants require more attention than regular geraniums.

### *planting*

Container planting is ideal so that the whole pot may be moved into a shady area during very hot conditions. Due to the size and quality of the plants they can only stay in their original container for two to three weeks. They should be transplanted into a larger container by mid June.

Martha Washington should be planted in well-drained, high-organic soil mix.

It will bloom until fall if all of their conditions are met. Remove the faded flower heads to induce further flower production. The plant will grow between 12 and 18 inches.

### *care & maintenance*

Keep the soil moist at all times. Never allow the plant to dry out between waterings. It is best to water early in the morning as the water is more readily absorbed when the temperature is cooler.

Through the summer months they should be placed on the East side of the house or in a location where they will not receive direct sunlight after noon. The direct sun during the heat of the day may burn the leaves.

Feed monthly with regular garden fertilizer in liquid form.

Martha Washington do not over winter. Early purchases should remain indoors from April until mid May. Place the plants in an East window.

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