

# Dimorphotheca Spring Flash™ Series

## *Dimorphotheca sinuata*



**COLORS AVAILABLE:** Orange, Yellow  
**SIZE/PLANT HABIT/TYPE:** Garden height: 10 to 12 inches; heavily branched plants  
**NOVELTY CHARACTERISTICS:** Bright color for cool temperatures  
**MARKET USE:** Bright, colorful daisy-like flowers cover plants which are ideal for spring gardens, mixed containers

### CULTURAL RECOMMENDATIONS:

#### CONTAINER SIZE

**SOWING:** 288 – 392 plug tray

**FINISH CONTAINER:** 4 to 6" pots

#### PLUG STAGE:

**GERMINATION:** Emergence 3-5 days / 68 - 72°F; cover seed

**EC (POUR THRU METHOD)** Emergence to cotyledon expansion= <0.5 mS/cm  
Cotyledon expansion to true leaf growth= 0.75 mS/cm  
Plug finish= 0.75 - 1.0 mS/cm

**PLUG FINISH TIME:** 4 weeks in a 288 plug tray

#### FINISHING:

**TRANSPLANT:** 15-20 days after sowing

**DAYS TO FLOWER:** 75– 85 days after sowing

**TEMPERATURE:** 60- 70°F day / 38- 50°F night

**EC:** 1.5 - 3.0 mS/cm (pour thru method)

**pH:** 5.6 - 6.3

**COMMON DISEASE/PESTS:** Thrips, leaf miner

*Please see Notes on next page*



NOTES:

- Best flowering will occur when night temperatures remain below 60°F
- Growth regulation is recommended on this crop. Some suggested rates are as follows\*:
  - 2 spray applications of B=Nine + Cycocel at 2500 + 1500 ppm with first application 1 week after transplanting (second application 2 weeks after the first). This provided good growth control for 6 – 7 weeks after treatment
  - Plug tray drench treatment after seedling emergence (5 – 8 days) apply 1 ppm Bonzi drench to trays

\* Spring Flash Orange did show more sensitivity to PGRs than Yellow, it also showed a small delay in flower time (4-6 days)

**PGR Trial was completed in the springtime in Coastal California. Rates are only suggested as a good starting point. Growers should adjust rates according to their own growing conditions.**

