



1. [Home](#)

Ptilotus exaltatus

Joey[®]

- Breeding breakthrough
- More compact and branching plant habit – full of flower spikes
- Sun loving beauty – thrives in hot and dry climates
- A consumer favorite – The perfect impulse buy
- Looks fantastic in combination planters with Pentas Graffiti® 20/20 and Pentas Northern Lights®, grasses and Eucalyptus - all love it sunny and dry
- Perfect pot and bedding plant item
- Short crop times of 12-16 weeks allow quick return on this truly unique crop

[Bookmark](#)

[Recommend](#)

[Print](#)

Crop Time

Spring: 12 - 16 weeks

Height

14 ? / 35 cm

Exposure

Sun

Seed Form

ApeX

Best Uses

Bedding, Landscape

Culture guide

Usage

Annual Pot plant, mixed combinations, landscape plantings

Sow time

January-June

Sowing method

1 seed per plug

Germination

Sow one seed per cell in a well-drained media with a pH between 5.5 and 6.5. Germinates in 5-7 days at 76-80 °F (24-26 °C). Do not saturate and maintain moderate soil moisture levels.

Growing on

Transplant plugs 6-8 weeks after sowing into a well-drained medium. Do not over water and feed at 100-150 ppm N, avoiding excess phosphorus and calcium levels. Grow on at 65-70° F (18-21° C). Higher light levels promote shorter, better-branched plants with larger flowers.

Media

Use a well-drained media, pH 5.5-6.5

Temperature

Grow at 20-24 °C. Avoid temperatures below 10 °C

Fertilization

Moderate to high fertilization levels are required. Fertilize the crop weekly with 100-150 ppm nitrogen (2 kg/m³ slow release fertilizer in substrate), using a complete and balanced fertilizer. Avoid high ammonium and high nitrogen levels. Take care of the phosphate level in substrate.

Tip

Combine Pentas Northern Lights® with Joey®, both love it sunny and dry.

Stage I Starts with the radicle breaking through the testa. The roots are touching the medium. Ends with fully developed cotyledons.

Stage II Starts from fully developed cotyledons. Ends with the fully developed true leaf or true leaf pair.

Stage III Starts from the fully developed true leaf or true leaf pair and ends with 80% of the young plants being marketable.

Stage IV All young plants are ready for sale and in the process of being hardened off. This stage lasts about 7 days.

The cultural recommendations are based on results from trials conducted under Central European conditions. Different conditions in other parts of the world may lead to deviations in results achieved.

[Download](#)