



Bergenia

Bergenia seeds need light and a period of cold to help them germinate. They can be sown indoors or outside in spring.

How to sow indoors

Put the seeds in a plastic bag containing a handful of moist soil. Seal the bag and place it in the fridge for two weeks.

Then sow the seeds onto the surface of a seed tray filled with damp seed compost. Don't cover the seeds, as they need light to germinate.

Place in good light at 21 °C, water regularly and be patient, as germination may be slow

Prick out the seedlings into individual pots once their first set of true leaves appears

Keep frost free until large enough to plant out.

Plants will usually flower in their second year.

How to sow outdoors

In late winter/early spring, sow the seeds in a row, on the surface of moist, weed-free, finely raked soil. Don't cover the seeds, as they need light to germinate.

Protect the seedlings from slugs and snails, and thin them out if necessary as they grow. Move them to their final planting site once well rooted and growing strongly.

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