



Ferraria

Ferraria is both tough and easy. It's a great plant for warm weather gardens.

OUTDOOR BEDS:

1. Find a location where the soil drains well. If there are still water puddles 5-6 hours after a hard rain, scout out another site. Or amend the soil with the addition of organic material to raise the level 2-3 inches to improve the drainage. Peat moss, compost, ground bark or decomposed manure all work well and are widely available.
2. Site your Ferraria where they will get full day sun.
3. Dig holes and plant the Ferraria seeds around 5mm and 10cm apart.
4. After planting, water well, thoroughly soaking the area. Sprouts will form in the autumn and flowers will develop in the spring.
5. After blooming has ended for the season leave the foliage in place; don't cut it off. The leaves will gather sunlight and provide nourishment for next year's show. Water as needed.
6. At the end of the summer the leaves will yellow and die back as the plant slips into dormancy. Foliage may be removed at this point. Your Ferraria will rest for a few months before beginning the next growing cycle.

POTS, TUBS & URNS:

1. Fill your containers with good quality, well-drained soil. Almost any commercially available potting medium will work fine. Make sure there are adequate drainage holes; Ferraria must never sit in waterlogged soil or they will rot.

2. Site containers where they will receive full day sun.
3. Plant the Ferraria seeds around 5mm and 10cm apart.
4. Water well after planting, until water comes out the drainage hole. Sprouts will form in the autumn and flowers will develop in the spring.
5. After blooming has ended for the season leave the foliage in place; don't cut it off. The leaves will gather sunlight and provide nourishment for next year's show. Water as needed. Feel free to move the containers to a less prominent, but still sunny, location while plants are not in flower.
6. At the end of the summer the leaves will yellow and die back as the plant slips into dormancy. Foliage may be removed at this point. Your Ferraria will rest for a few months before beginning the next growing cycle.

QUANTITY TIPS:

For 12-15" pots - plant approximately 10-12

For 10" pots - plant 8-10

For 8" pots - plant 6-8

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