

Introducing Begonia Big™

Simply BIG – The new Begonia ‘BIG’™ series is an interspecies hybrid that unites the best features from several begonia species to bring you increased flowering, versatility, larger flowers and foliage for greater show, vigorous growth and unsurpassed garden performance. ‘BIG’™ begonias are the focal point of any garden, growing quickly to provide lush, beautiful displays in hanging baskets, mixed containers and large landscape plantings.

‘BIG’™ Benefits

The benefits of ‘BIG’™ begonias are not only in their impressive flower power, but also in their ability to increase your bottom line.



Disease Tolerance:

- ☛ Self-cleaning habit
- ☛ Spent flowers fall to the ground, not on the foliage
- ☛ Reduced fungal problems

Economical:

- ☛ 12-15" (30 x 38 cm) spread
- ☛ Available in 72cp trays for faster finish times
- ☛ Fast growing, freely branching, large showy flowers



Adaptable:

- ☛ Available in scarlet-red or rose-pink flower colors
- ☛ ‘BIG’™ thrives in a wide range of climates and soils
- ☛ Can be planted in sun OR shade
- ☛ Performs anywhere



‘BIG’™ Begonias – Extraordinarily different...

Begonia x benariensis F₁ hybrid

Technical Information

Available Colors: Red with green leaf
Red with bronze leaf
Rose with bronze leaf

Life Cycle: Tender perennial that is winter hardy to USDA Zones 10-11. Annual elsewhere.

Exposure: Full sun to shade. Better flowering in full sun.

Garden/Large Container Height: 12-24” (30-60 cm)

Use: Pots, mixed containers, baskets and mass landscape plantings

Product Form: 72cp trays

Finish: Transplant plugs into finished containers. Grow on at 62°F (16°C) or higher. Fertilize at 150 ppm nitrogen weekly, watching to avoid excessive salt build-ups. High light conditions promote better branching and earlier flowering. Provide adequate space to allow for maximum branching.

Media: pH 5.5-6.6 for optimum plant growth and quality

Cultural Hints: Monitor for fungus gnats and/or shore flies and treat appropriately. Higher light levels and sufficient space are important for improved branching. Do not use Bonzi or Sumagic to control growth.

Crop Times:

4” (10 cm) Pots Northern climates: 12-14 weeks; South: 10-12 weeks

Gallons: North: 14-16 weeks · South: 12-14 weeks

Baskets: North: 15-17 weeks · South: 13-15 weeks