

# Technical advice

## *Cuphea*

### Description:

Cuphea are hardy, attractive plants with delicate flowers. They should not be transported or stored in the dark, as this can cause the flowers to fall off. Cuphea are particularly popular as ground cover in borders and cemeteries.

### Potting:

Week 45 - 20  
Pot 9 – 12 cm

### Sales:

- Starting early june

### Substrate:

- Potting-Substrat
- pH 5,5 – 6,5

### Fertilizer:

Moderate nutrient need: with continuous fertigation 0,05 % bis 0,08 % or weekly fertigation with 1 -2 times per week 0,1 % bis 0,2 %.

### Temperature:

Moderate temperature need, After potting average daily temperature of T 18°C, thereafter average daily temperature of 16°C.

### Light:

After establishment full light possible. With extra light early flowering possible

### Flowers:

April - May

### Growth regulators:

Not needed

### Pinching:

Directly after potting, regular pinch is recommended.

### Disease / pests:

Susceptible for aphids and thrips. Watch out for fungus gnats.

### Spacing:

Pot to pot possible