

## Garlic Vine

## **COLD CLIMATES (SEE REVERSE FOR WARM)**

Start the seeds in starter pots or one large pot with a premium potting soil. Do not remove the outer jacket of the seeds. Plant the seeds ¼ inch deep. Keep soil moist but not wet. These take a month or more to sprout. Don't give up on them. I did and planted something else in the pot and ended up with a bunch of garlic vine sprouting in a pot of gerbera daisies. Keep a close eye on them and make sure the soil does not dry out. One of the biggest problems with these is that people forget to water them because



they take so long to sprout. If properly cared for, they have an almost 100% germination rate. It is imperative that these are warm with high humidity. You may want to get a heat mat for plants (they need consistent temps of at least 80 degrees) and cover the pots with plastic wrap until they sprout. One of the most beautiful flowering vines I have ever seen, they are worth the wait.

These are not frost hardy. I do not recommend growing them in the ground as an annual as they need time to mature and one season is not long enough for them to do this. After the sprout, you can continue to move them into larger pots as they grow and include a trellis for them to climb. Be sure to bring them indoors in winter in the brightest location possible or greenhouse kept. They are worth the trouble.

## WARM CLIMATES (SEE REVERSE FOR COLD)

These require heat and high humidity to sprout. Even though you are in a warm climate, you may want to cover the pots with saran wrap since it is a cooler time of year. This will help to retain both heat and humidity. These are best to start in summer when heat and humidity as it it's highest, so they may take a little longer but the saran wrap will help. Check to make sure they stay moist at all times and spray the top with a spray bottle as needed and keep the saran wrap on until the sprout, then remove it.

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## A NOTE ON SEED STORAGE IF YOU ARE NOT PLANTING RIGHT AWAY:

The key for seed storage is cool, dark and dry. If your temperatures are not quite right for planting, you can keep the seeds viable by keeping them in the food-grade plastic bag they were shipped in. The bag should then be placed in a sealed mason jar, then covered with a paper bag to block light. A basement would be an ideal storage area, or alternatively a refrigerator (this is a must for poppies), until you are ready to plant. This can be done with most all seeds and will keep them viable for 1-5 years depending on the species.

My seeds, bulbs and bare root plants are guaranteed to provide you with a decent yield. If you are dissatisfied with your order for any reason or the seeds don't sprout, please message me before leaving a review and I will provide advice, replace or refund. I truly care about my customers and my plants!

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Happy Planting!

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