

# Reedy Meadow Nursery

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Thank you for purchasing your Canna rhizomes from Reedy Meadow Nursery.

## Growing Instructions.

- **Unpack the rhizomes carefully to avoid breaking off any new shoots.**
- **Place one rhizome in a suitable sized container, using good quality multipurpose compost. Adding a balanced, slow release fertilizer to the compost will benefit the plant once growth starts.**
- **Two or more rhizomes may be placed in a larger container, but do not over pot at this stage as the compost easily stagnates and the roots may rot.**
- **Place the roots in the pot so that they are just covered, but not excessively buried. Any shoots that are visible should be left above the compost level.**
- **After potting, give the compost a light watering to settle the roots in. Subsequent watering should be very light as root growth is slow to start with and there are no leaves to take water out of the compost. Over watering at this stage can easily result in the compost staying cold and wet, which may lead to the rhizomes rotting.**
- **Newly potted rhizomes must be kept frost free. A temperature of 10 oc is ideal and encourages steady, but not lush growth. Place in a light, bright warm position, a greenhouse, conservatory or window ledge is ideal.**
- **Once the Canna has started to make good leaf growth, the compost will dry out much more rapidly and watering will need to be increased.**
- **Slugs have a liking for newly emerging shoots, control as necessary.**
- **Harden off and plant out in large containers or borders when the danger of frost has passed. They prefer a warm sheltered position, and never need staking.**
- **Cannas are hungry plants. Feed weekly with a suitable fertilizer. Tomato food is ideal. The more you feed and water, the bigger and better they will grow.**
- **Remove dead petals, but take care as new flower spikes arise from the midst of the dead flower truss. Look for the sheath that contains the next flowers before removing.**
- **Enjoy your Cannas, we're sure you won't be disappointed.**
- **More details of Canna cultivation are available on our web site. [www.reedymeadownursery.co.uk](http://www.reedymeadownursery.co.uk)**