

Voltage™ Yellow creates the earliest & brightest baskets



NEW Voltage Yellow

New Voltage™ Yellow Osteospermum

Our all-new basket osteospermum shouts Spring! • It's the first osteo in bloom and the last out of bloom. • Available as unrooted cuttings and rooted liners.

When shoppers are craving bright color the most, this unique bold yellow variety will stop traffic. Voltage Yellow features very flexible stems that sleeve, ship and show well, making it ideal for large baskets and containers. This low-energy variety has excellent branching so fewer PGRs are needed to produce naturally full and compact plants. The low, spreading habit makes Voltage Yellow ideal for landscapes. Call your Ball sales rep today to get Voltage Yellow onto your benches.

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OSTEOSPERMUM 
Osteospermum hybrid

New Voltage™ Yellow

Height: 10 to 16 in. (25 to 40 cm)

Spread: 24 to 28 in. (60 to 70 cm)

A Simply Beautiful® selection.

Culture

PROPAGATION

- A rooting hormone can be applied to promote early, uniform rooting.
- Rooted cutting should be ready for transplant in 21 to 28 days.
- Visit ballhort.com for complete details.

GROWING ON TO FINISH

Media

- Use media with good aeration, drainage and water-holding capacity.
- Like most Osteospermum, Voltage Yellow prefers a medium that will dry regularly between waterings.
- A pH of 5.5 to 6.2 is optimum.

Temperature

- After transplanting, allow plants to become established for 7 to 14 days, depending on pot size, at a night temperature of 60 to 65°F (15 to 18°C). Once plants are well-established and rooted in, pinch and begin growing at recommended cool temperature.
- Nights: 45 to 55°F (7 to 13°C).
- Days: 60 to 75°F (15 to 24°C); avoid temperatures above 80°F (26°C).

Transplanting

Rooted cuttings should be transplanted at or slightly above the soil line of the final container. This will greatly reduce problems with various root and stem rots. In some situations a preventative fungicidal soil drench may be appropriate.

Light

Voltage Yellow Osteospermum will perform best under moderate to high light levels of 5,000 to 9,000 f.c. (50,000 to 90,000 Lux).

Watering

- The media should be allowed to dry regularly between waterings and never saturated. However, plants should not be allowed to wilt at anytime.
- Leach regularly to avoid the buildup of high soluble salt levels.

Fertilizer

Use a balanced fertilizer at a rate of 200 to 300 ppm N. When grown excessively hungry, plants will become woody and will not branch properly.

Pinching

Voltage Yellow Osteospermum should be pinched once, as soon as they are well-rooted, to maximize branching and create a full plant covered in flowers.

Controlling Growth

- High light intensity and cool temperatures are needed for optimal habit.
- Voltage Yellow Osteospermum are responsive to Cycocel and Bonzi. Apply Cycocel as a spray (750 to 1,000 ppm). Drench applications of Cycocel (1,000 to 1,500 ppm) have also demonstrated control. Bonzi (15 to 30 ppm) applied as a spray is also effective in reducing elongation. Begin PGR applications as new growth develops after pinching. More frequent applications will be required for smaller container sizes or if grown under warm conditions. Voltage Yellow is also responsive to B-Nine (2,500 to 4,000 ppm) alone as a spray or tank mix with Cycocel. Apply B-Nine early in the crop cycle before buds are visible to avoid bloom delay or a reduction in bloom size.
- These recommendations for plant growth regulators should be used only as general guidelines. Growers must trial all chemicals under their particular conditions.

Common Problems

Insects: Thrips, whitefly, aphids, fungus gnats.

Diseases: *Botrytis* (gray mold), *Thielaviopsis*, *Pythium*, *Rhizoctonia*, Powdery Mildew. Additional details are listed at ballhort.com.

All Voltage Yellow Osteospermum cuttings are derived from culture and virus-indexed stock from the **Ball Certified Plants®** program.

NOTE: Growers should use the information presented here as a starting point. Crop times will vary depending on the climate, location, time of year and greenhouse environmental conditions. Chemical and PGR recommendations are only guidelines. It is the responsibility of the applicator to read and follow all the current label directions for the specific chemical being used in accordance with all regulations.



Voltage Yellow Osteospermum Crop Schedule & Uses

	4-In. (10-Cm) Pot 1 PP*	6 to 8-In. (15 to 20-Cm) Pots 2 to 3 PP*	10 to 12-In. (25 to 30-Cm) Pots 3 to 5 PP*
Unrooted cuttings	11-15 weeks	11-15 weeks	11-15 weeks
Rooted cuttings	8-11 weeks	8-11 weeks	8-11 weeks

*PP: Plants per pot or basket

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