# Solera™

Interspecific breeding gives Solera great heat tolerance, longevity and bright, bold colors.
Medium-sized mounded plants keep their blooms all season.
Excellent garden performance.
Easy-to-control, medium greenhouse habit.
Available out of our state-of-the-art YecaFlora farm in Mexico, with trucking to the U.S. border.
Best suited to 5-in. (13-cm) and larger pots and hanging baskets.

The most popular color for geraniums expands this heat-loving series.

## General & Information

| Height: | Spread: | Exposure: |
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| 12 - 14" (30 - 36 cm) | 12 - 14" (30 - 36 cm) | Sun |

## Propagation Guide

| Tray Sizes (cells/tray): | Rooting Hormone: | Average Days with Mist: | Pinch: | Average Propagation Time (weeks): | Comments: |
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| See Comments | Optional | 9-12 | No | 3-4 | Stick immediately upon arrival. Geraniums are best rooted in media in strip form to allow for maximum airflow and avoid foliage overlap. After initial rehydration, careful misting is required to optimize callus and root initiation. Mature leaves should show slight wilting at midday and regain turgor in the late afternoon under ideal mist conditions. Leaf petiole wilting indicates undermisting. Overmisting leads to Botrytis. Remove flower buds at transplanting. |

## Finishing

| Soil pH: | Light Levels (fc): | Temperature Day: | Temperature Night: | Fertilization (ppm N): | No. of Pinches: | Plant Growth Regulators (S) = spray / (D) = drench: | Pests: | Diseases: | Comments: |
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| 6.2-6.6 | 3,500-6,000 | 65-76°F (18-24° C) | 62-67°F (17-19° C) | 225-300 | 0 | Chlormequat chloride (S) 750-1,000 ppm to control growth; ethephon(S) 200-300 ppm to improve branching. | Fungus gnats, thrips, aphids, mites | Botrytis, Pythium, Xanthomonas | Day and night temperatures of 71 to 76°F (21 to 24°C) are ideal for the earliest stages of plant development. Solera Geraniums usually do not require PGRs to produce high-quality plants. |

## Crop Time

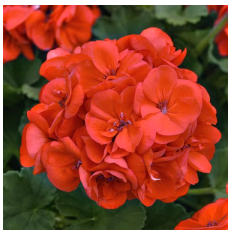
| 4- to 5-inch (10- to 13-cm) Pots, Quarts : | 6-inch (15-cm) Pots, Gallons: | 10- to 12-inch (25- to 30-cm) Tubs or Baskets: |
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| 1 ppp, 8-9 weeks | 1-2 ppp, 9-10 weeks | 4-5 ppp, 11-13 weeks |

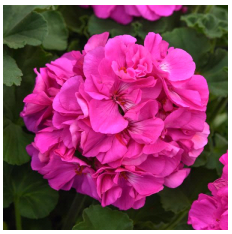
**NOTE:** Growers should use the information presented here as guidelines only. Ball Floraplant recommends that growers conduct a trial of products under their own conditions. Crop times will vary depending on the climate, location, time of year, and greenhouse environmental conditions. It is the responsibility of the grower to read and follow all the current label directions relating to the products. Nothing herein shall be deemed a warranty or guaranty by Ball Floraplant of any products listed herein. Ball Floraplant's terms and conditions of sale shall apply to all products listed herein.

## Varieties


Interspecific Geranium Solera™ Dark Red


Interspecific Geranium Solera™ Fuchsia


Interspecific Geranium Solera™ Orange


Interspecific Geranium Solera™ Lavender


Interspecific Geranium Solera™ Purple


Interspecific Geranium Solera™ Red


Interspecific Geranium Solera™ Watermelon