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Wax Flower

FAMILY	**- Myrtaceae**
GENUS	**- Chamelaucium**
SPECIES	**- Uncinatum, Megalopetalum, Floriferum...**
VARIETY	**- Ofir, Adi, Maya, Nir…**
COMMON NAME	**- Geraldton Wax**
ORIGIN	**- Western Australia**

The **WAX FLOWER** is a perennial shrub reaching 2-3 meters in height. It has small narrow needle shaped leaves 10-25 mm long, in colors ranging from light to dark green.
It has small petaled flowers that range in size from 10 to 25 mm in diameter.
Flowering branches can produce 50 to 300 flower buds. Colors vary and could be pink, purple, white and even multicolor.
The **WAX FLOWER** flowers from autumn through winter to spring.

WAX FLOWER grows in most soils, but prefers well drained soils with optimum pH of 5.5 - 6.5. It requires dry climate and has low water and fertilizing requirements.
WAX FLOWER grows in the optimum temperature range of 15 – 35°C, but can tolerate lower temperatures. It can't stand heavy frost.

Flower induction requires short days, therefore buds start appearing in autumn. Low night temperatures also influence induction and bud formation. Flower start opening in autumn and have a good shelf-life. Branches with unopened flower buds can also be marketed.

WAX FLOWER can be planted most of the year except in winter. The best planting seasons are spring and autumn.

Harvest & Marketing- cut flower

Spring planting – First harvest at the following winter (about 6 – 8 months after planting), 10 to 15 branches per plant.

Summer-autumn planting – first harvest the next winter (about 15 months after planting) 50 to 100 branches per plant.

Full harvest from second season on – 100 to 200 branches per plant, depending on growth rate and variety.
Plants can be harvested for about 5 – 6 years.

WAX FLOWER - pot plant. Best planting season for pot plants is early spring – mid summer. Recommended pot size 10 –25 cm. There are many lines of varieties especially bred for pot plants that offer different shapes and colors. It flowers from early autumn to late spring.

Marketing- pot plant

Pot size 10-15 cm- spring planting for marketing the coming winter

Pot size 15-25 – recommended planting in autumn from marketing next autumn-winter.

For further information, including lists of varieties available, please feel free to contact us.