

Culture Sheet: *Technical Information for Growers*

Name: *Nepeta* or *Nepeta* × *faassennii*

Common name: catmint

Scheduling Information

Available sizes: 50, 72

Sales Window: early spring through fall

Plug size	50, 72
Container	Trade 1 gallon
Weeks to finish	8-10
When to plant	Spring to late summer

Growing on to Finish

Media:	Professional potting media
pH:	5.8-6.2
Irrigation:	Allow soil to dry moderately between waterings. Water in thoroughly when first planted and then when the soil in the bottom of the drain holes feels dry to the touch.
Fertilizer:	Light to moderate feeders. Incorporate controlled release fertilizer into growing media at a rate equivalent to 1 pound nitrogen per yard of medium. Another method is using a water soluble fertilizer at a rate of 100-150 ppm nitrates to the crop each watering.
Light:	High light (5,000-8,000 f.c.)
Temperature:	Growing: 64-68F Holding: 55-60F
Pest & Disease:	Aphids, leafhoppers, slugs, snails, spider mites, thrips, and whiteflies. Rot(Sclerotium), powdery mildew (Erysiphe), leaf spots, bacterial leaf spot (Pseudomonas), stem and root rots, mosaic virus, and Fusarium wilt
Pinch:	Plugs benefit from a pinch shortly after transplanting.
Flowering:	Requires long days to flower
Vernalization:	Not required but is cold-beneficial. Provide 6-9 weeks of cold.

Grower Tips:

- Summer crops may finish considerably faster than late winter crops
- Grow cool and slightly dry with high light levels for best results

Disclaimer: Cultural information is provided as a guide only. North Creek Nurseries does not guarantee the exact results, as growth and finish times may vary depending upon your location, climate, cultural practices and other influences. Always check manufacturers' labels for approved rates and usage instructions when applying fertilizer or other chemicals.

Sources: Walter's Gardens, Darwin Perennials



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