



## Trailing Surfinia Fact Sheet

Surfinia is the brand name given to a particular range of trailing petunias. The Surfinia range has been specifically bred to produce strong branching plants that are vigorous trailers, and very prolific at producing masses of flowers. They have good weather tolerance and a long flowering period.

Surfinias are ideal in patio containers and hanging baskets. They are a great value plant as they grow rapidly and a few plants can fill a large hanging basket. To fill a 12" or 30cm hanging basket we would recommend using 3 or 4 Surfinia plugs to create a wonderful display. They can also be planted in garden borders for ground coverage. Plant them 12"/30cm to 18"/45cm apart.

Our Trailing Surfinia plug plants are supplied as large plug plants with a 3cm root ball, and a coloured named label. When you receive your plug plants we recommend that you unpack them as soon as possible. They need potting on into a 9 or 10cm pot and growing on in a greenhouse or sunny windowsill. They need to be kept at a minimum temperature of 7C, before planting in the garden after the risk of frost has passed. Whilst the plugs are in the early growing stages, we recommend that you are careful not to overwater them. Keeping the plugs quite dry will encourage root growth, however it is very important not to let them dry out completely!

When your plugs are ready to plant in the garden, Surfinias prefer a position in full sun or partial shade. Surfinias need feeding weekly whilst flowering, and must not be allowed to dry out. It is best to water in the mornings or evenings instead of when the sun is at its strongest, to avoid scorching the leaves. Full growing instructions are supplied with all our plants.