## Plant Propagation Protocol for Cacaliopsis nardosmia

ESRM 412 – Native Plant Production Protocol URL: https://courses.washington.edu/esrm412/protocols/[*CANA5.pdf*]



## Pacific Northwest Distribution:



## Source: USDA Plant Database

	TAXONOMY
Plant Family	
Scientific Name	Asteraceae
Common Name	Aster
Species Scientific Name	
Scientific Name	Cacaliopsis nardosmia A. Gray
Varieties	N/A

Sub-species	N/A	
Cultivar	N/A	
Common Synonym(s)	1. Cacalia nardosmia A. Gray	
	2. <i>Cacalia nardosmia</i> A. Gray var. glabrata	
	(Piper) B. Boivin	
	3. Cacaliopsis nardosmia (A. Gray) A.	
	Gray var. glabrata Piper	
	4. Luina nardosmia (A. Gray) Cronquist	
	5. Luina nardosmia (A. Grav) Cronquist	
	var. glabrata (Piper) Cronquist	
Common Name(s)	Silvercrown	
Species Code (as per USDA Plants	CANA5	
database)		
GENE	RAL INFORMATION	
Geographical range	Found along the pacific coast ranging from California	
	through Washington and Oregon and reaching British	
	Columbia. Map of distribution shown above. 1	
Ecological distribution	Occurs in meadows and open places. 35	
Climate and elevation range	Occurs at elevations 637' - 6808', humidity: 0.47 vpd -	
	23.15 vpd and at temperatures $36.9^{\circ}$ F- $72.6^{\circ}$ F $_{3}$	
Local habitat and abundance	Oak and pine forests, meadows, open places and	
	sometimes on serpentine. 45	
Plant strategy type / successional stage	No plant strategy type information could be found.	
Plant characteristics	Perennial herb from rhizomes native to the west coast	
	of north america. It has shiny green leaves with and	
	erect red stems that can grow up to 3 feet high. The	
	stems bear yellow flower clusters that contain fruit	
	which is a small cylindrical achene with a bristly white	
	pappus. <sub>3</sub>	
PROPAGATION DETAILS *Based on propagation of similar species found		
in similar conditions.		
Ecotype		
Propagation Goal	Plants	
Propagation Method	Seeds	
Product Type	Container (plug)	
Stock Type	160 ml containers	
Time to Grow	7 months	
Target Specifications	height: 14 cm	
Propagule Collection Instructions	Seed production under tree canopy is poor. Locate	
	populations in full sun or in open forests or meadows	
	for seed collection.	

	Seeds are collected in paper bags and kept in a well
	ventilated drying shed prior to cleaning.
Propagule Processing/Propagule	Seed Density: 990,000/ kg 100% purity 85%
Characteristics	germination
	Seed longevity: 3 to 5 years in storage at 2 C
	Seed Dormancy: Non deep physiological Dormancy
	Seeds cleaned with hammermill and office clippers
Pre-Planting Propagule Treatments	60 day cold, moist stratification. Seeds are imbibed in
	water for 4 hours and placed in fine mesh bags buried
	in moist peat moss in ventilated containers under
	refrigeration at 1 to 3C.
Growing Area Preparation / Annual	Greenhouse temperatures: 23C day and 13C night.
Practices for Perennial Crops	Sowing method: Direct seeding.
	Medium: Promix growing media 6:1:1 sphagnum
	peat:vermiculite:perlite with Osmocote controlled
	release fertilizer (13N:13P2O5:13K2O; 8 to 9 month
	release rate at 21C) and Micromax fertilizer (12%S,
	0.1%B, 0.5%Cu, 12%Fe, 2.5%Mn, 0.05%Mo, 1%Zn)
	at the rate of 1 gram of Osmocote and 0.20 gram of
	Micromax per 172 ml container.
Establishment Phase Details	Seedlings germinate at 22 C. Seeds found at higher
	elevations may germinate at higher percentages in
	colder more moist conditions. Seed coat is weak and
	easily damaged by insects and rot. Medium is kept
	moist by misting twice per day.
Length of Establishment Phase	4 weeks
Active Growth Phase	Plants develop rapidly 2 to 4 weeks following
	germination, during the growing season plants should
	be fertilized with 20-20-20 liquid NPK at 100 ppm
	weekly.
Length of Active Growth Phase	12 weeks
Hardening Phase	During the hardening face plants should be fertilized
	with 10-20-20 liquid NPK at 200 ppm in early fall.
	Containers are leached with water and irrigation is
	slowly reduced through the fall.
Length of Hardening Phase	4 weeks
Harvesting, Storage and Shipping	Total Time To Harvest:/ months
	Harvest Date: September
	Storage Conditions: Overwinter in outdoor nursery
I. (1. CO)	under insulating foam cover
Length of Storage	5 months
Guidelines for Outplanting /	Sow seeds in early spring, plants typically flowers early
Performance on Typical Sites	summer.
Other Comments	N/A

INFORMATION SOURCES		
References	See below	
Other Sources Consulted	See below	
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