

Cultural Information – Petopentia

(pet-oh-PEN-tee-uh)

Hardy to Zone 9 and higher for outdoors.
Full or partial sun, grows 1-2' in container, minimum temperature 40°.

<u>Light:</u>	Full or partial sun, a southern, eastern or western exposure.
<u>Temperature:</u>	Maintain indoor temperatures above 60° if continuous growth is desired. Otherwise, 40° for maintaining.
<u>Humidity:</u>	They will tolerate low levels without any difficulty.
<u>Watering:</u>	Bring soil to a state of visual dryness between watering. When watering, thoroughly saturate soil until a little water runs out of the bottom of the pot. Growing in a clay pot will help maintain a healthy root system. Under water in the winter months as opposed to over watering.
<u>Fertilizer:</u>	Go easy on the fertilizer. Apply monthly or bi-monthly. Fertilize with ½ tsp of fertilizer per gallon of water. Use a balanced fertilizer like a 15-15-15 or a blooming fertilizer like a 7-9-5.
<u>Pruning:</u>	Prune as needed. It is vining in nature and does need to be headed back if a desired size is to be maintained. It takes even severe pruning with ease.
<u>Insects and Disease:</u>	Few problems with insects. Under very high moisture and cold soil conditions, root diseases can be a problem.
<u>Comments</u>	This fast growing vine does best under full sun and periods of dryness between waterings. If a larger plant is desired, increasing the fertilizer and soil moisture during the summer will expedite the process.