

Marigold, French

Edible Flowers



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Suggested varieties: *French Dwarf Double Mixed*

PLANT



Sow seed 0.5cm deep in pots and transplant seedlings when growing strongly to 20cm apart. Choose sunny site and fertile soil

GROW



Water in prolonged dry weather. Remove seed heads. Plants can deter garden pests, eg 'whitefly' from indoor tomatoes if planted underneath. Leaves are aromatic

EAT



Pick flowers just after they open, removing whiter part from petal where attached to flower (can be bitter). Keep picking to encourage more flowers. Young leaves are edible

Growing guide

Easy!

Average time to harvest

From 8 weeks

Equipment needed

None

Germination time

7-14 days

Average plant size

15-30cm tall and wide

Family group to grow with

Asteraceae: lettuce, chicory

Seed saving group

2 - Annual, can cross-pollinate

Key nutritional content

Low calorie complement

Spring Term			Summer Term				Autumn/Winter Term				
J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D

■ Sow indoors

■ Sow outdoors

■ Plant out/transplant

■ Harvest



Use cloche

2.5cm = 1 inch 30 cm = 1 foot