Early Sensation Mixed Cosmos
FLOWER *Cosmos bipinnatus*

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Very easy to grow, a good choice for beginning gardeners. Let the seed heads dry in the garden to attract birds. Excellent as a cut flower, in mass plantings, or as a tall accent at the back of beds.

**Culture:** Prefers full sun, but tolerates partial shade, poor soils, and drought once established. Direct sow outdoors or transplant out after last frost. For transplants, sow indoors in shallow pots 4–6 weeks before last frost. Deadhead to prolong blooming.

**Harvest:** For cut flowers, harvest when the petals are just opening.

**Seed Savers:** Protect the developing seeds with netting if necessary, securing the bottom edges to avoid trapping persistent birds. Let the seed heads fully ripen, to the point of almost dropping, before bringing indoors to finish drying.

**Soil Temp.**

70°F

**Sowing Depth**

1/4"

**Final Plant Spacing**

9–12"

**Final Row Spacing**

18–24"

**Light**

Full Sun

**Days to Emerge**

10–15