

## Gerbera Daisy

## **Product Information**

Potted Gerberas' large daisy-like (composite) blooms, including single, double, quilled, crested, cushion and "feather"-petaled flower types, generally range from 2 to 31/2 inches in diameter and stand on leafless stems (scapes) above a base of crinkly, deeply lobed leaves. The newer, compact varieties of potted Gerberas usually reach 6 to 12 inches in height, depending on pot size, which typically range from 4 to 6 inches in diameter. Depending on environment, care and variety, potted Gerberas' bloom cycles can span from two to four weeks.



## **Care Tips**

These plants require bright light, including exposure to some direct sun.

Gerbera plants need evenly moist soil. Water them thoroughly when the soil surface is dry to the touch and allow water to drain. Be careful, however, to not overwater, and do not allow pots to stand in water.

Moderate temperatures are preferred. When flowering, potted Gerberas like daytime temperatures between 20 C and 25 C and nighttime temperatures from 15 C and 20 C. During the winter these plants can tolerate temperatures as low as 55 F.

Gerbera plants prefer humid environments but with good air circulation. Place pots on a pebble tray or frequently mist the leaves of plants in dry indoor environments. Feed potted Gerberas weekly during their blooming cycles.



Loose humus-rich soil or a standard soil mix with sand is preferred. Cut off flowers as they fade. After the first set of blooms fade, weather permitting, transplant the plant into a patio pot, and enjoy outdoors. In colder regions, store the plant indoors or in a greenhouse during the winter months. Some people choose to discard Gerbera plants, which are grown from seed, following their initial blooming cycle.