

First Editions®

Eternal Sunshine™ Abelia Culture Sheet



First Editions® Eternal Sunshine™ Abelia *Abelia × grandiflora* 'PIIAB-II' PP25,305

Deciduous/Evergreen: Semi Evergreen

Southern Region Container Production

pH: 5.5-6.5 **EC:** 0.5-2.0

Hardiness: Zone 6-9

Heat Zone: Zone 10-6

Fertilization Requirements	Medium to high rate of complete controlled release fertilizer.
Overwintering Practices and Temperatures	Plants are overwintered in cold frames. Temperatures are greater than 10°F.
Light Levels	Full sun to part shade.
Water Requirements	Low to medium water requirements for this plant; depending on plant size and temperatures.
Planting Season	Plant any time after the danger of frost has passed.
Propagation Method and Notes	Softwood cuttings are taken anytime when the plants are actively growing. Use .05-.01% KIBA solution.
Pest/Disease Management	Flea beetles are a problem.
PGR Application	No experience with PGRs.
Flowers on new or old wood	Blooms on new wood.
Special Notes	Abelia blooms heavily in summer which may lead to reduced vegetative growth. Potting in fall or early spring is ideal for increased growth. Foliage emerges bronze, then turns to yellow, and finally green.

Estimated Finishing Times

	8" container	#5 container
Liner	Pot 2 1/2" plug in early spring to finish by fall. Finishes in 6 months.	Upshift using 8" container, finish in 10 months.

Pacific Northwest Region Container Production

pH: 6-6.5 EC: 1-1.5

Hardiness: Zone 6-9

Fertilization Requirements	8 month (18-6-11) incorporated at planting.
Overwintering Practices and Temperatures	Plants are overwintered in cold frames. Temperatures are greater than 20°F.
Light Levels	Full sun to part shade. Grow under 48% shade.
Water Requirements	Medium water requirements.
Planting Season	Planting occurs in late spring.
Propagation Method and Notes	Softwood cutting are taken anytime when the plants are actively growing. Use 750 ppm IBA by either spray or dip to initiate rooting.
Pest/Disease Management	No pests have been observed.
PGR Application	No experience with PGRs.
Flowers on new or old wood	Blooms on new wood.
Special Notes	

Estimated Finishing Times

Liner	#2 container
LO (38) plug	Finish in 20 weeks.

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Note: The information presented should be considered as a starting point for best practices. Production times and product applications will vary depending on the growing region and conditions. It is the responsibility of the applicator to follow all current manufacturer label directions in a responsible manner.