

Botanical Name: Begonia tuberhybrida

Common Name: Tuberous Begonia

Type of Plant: Dicot: perennial Character mostly deciduous

Habit of Growth:

Overall Shape varies from upright, single-stemmed to multi-branched

spreading plant; grows from a flattened tuber

Height 6" to 2' Spread 6" to 2' Growth Rate moderate

Environment:

Exposure in/out partial shade outdoor

Soil well-drained potting soil

Hardiness tender

Morphology:

Leaves simple, palmate -- resembles angel-wing Begonia --

to 4" wide, sometimes spotted or striped

Flowers single or double flowers to 3" wide in many colors -

resemble small camellias

Fruit small capsule

Propagation: seed, division of tubers

Usage: hanging baskets, raised beds, mixed with fuchsias,

ferns and lush tropical plantings

Landscape Care:

Watering needs regular water during growth; mist during

hot weather

Fertilizing 1/2 balanced, 2 times monthly during growing season

Pruning snap off yellowed leaves before storing tubers

Pests/Diseases mildew, botrytis - root rot (poor drainage/overwatering)

Special Conditions soak tubers, plant in flats, set out at 2" tall

Origin: Hybrids Family: Begoniaceae