



Product Technical Sheets, Nessie, Karoo & BabyCakes Nemesis

Multiple series of triploid *Nemesia fruticans* hybrids bred in Germany with a compact-upright, very bushy habit, sturdy stems and spikes of large, showy flowers all season long. Unlike other *Nemesia fruticans* series, KAROO cvs are sterile and do not waste their energy producing unsightly seed pods – instead, they flower non-stop right up to hard frosts in autumn. Great presentation in pots and containers – ideal for early color in quart pots.

Unlike other *Nemesia* series, BabyCakes cvs are more compact while Nessie cvs are selected to fill larger containers. BabyCakes cvs compared to Nessie series cvs, flower non-stop right up to hard frosts in autumn. BabyCakes cvs, great compact full presentation in pots and containers – ideal for early color in quart pots.

| Plant Bulking | Propagation | Pinch in Propagation | Shear after Transplant |
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| Nessie and Karoo Nemesia | 4 weeks | Prefered to control stretch | Beneficial in 6 inch and gallon containers |
| Baby Cakes Nemesia | 4 weeks | Optional to control stretch | Compact habit is focused on 4 inch and quart containers Shearing not required. |

Plant Culture Guides

POT SIZES: Nessie and Karoo preferred in 4 inch to 6 inch and gallon containers.
Baby Cakes preferred as one liner per 4 inch or quart container.

PLANTING: Transplant Jan-Feb for April-May sales.

SOIL MIX: Well-drained peatlite mix, neutral pH, good water and nutrient retention. Soil moisture levels should be kept on the dry side once established, avoid overhead irrigation.

TEMPERATURE: Propagate at 68 to 72°F nights, transplant start warm (68°F nights) to establish and bulk (After transplant shock has past and shoots resume growth, final sheer), then finish cooler (50-55°F nights). Once hardened, temperatures can be dropped to just above freezing without problems.

LIGHT LEVELS: Best when grown under full sun conditions.

CROP TIME: About 8-10 weeks for quart pots in spring (add 2-3 weeks to schedule on pinched crops).

PGR: Not needed nor recommended, especially when grown cool. If needed, a 5 to 10 ppm Sumagic spray treatment will produce a more compact finished product.

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