



IMPATIENS 'SUNPATIENS SERIES'

Fam. Balsaminaceae

DESCRIPTION

Easy to grow herbaceous plant characterised by very fast growth.

LEAVES

Small, almost heart-shaped leaves, pointed, with jagged margins, dark-green or light-green in colour.

FRUITS

Small oblong pods containing black spherical seeds.

HABITAT

No less than 400 species of annual and perennial plants, native to Africa and Asia, belong to the *Impatiens* genus.

STEM

Thin, fleshy, light-green stems.

DISTRIBUTION

In their places of origin, these plants are perennial and bloom practically all year round, producing roundish, evergreen shrubs. In European gardens, they are grown as annuals in garden beds or in pots.

INTERESTING FACTS

Impatiens is also commonly called "touch-me-not" and is the symbol of virility and intelligence. The name *impatiens* refers to the impatience of these plants in spreading the seeds; as soon as you touch the flower, the plant vigorously throws out the seeds from the ovary.

FLOWERS

Abundant flowering from late spring until the beginning of winter. The flattened flowers in different shades of red, pink, white and purple appear on the apexes of the stems and at the base of the leaf axils.

ROOTS

Shallow and fasciculated root system.

