

ENVIRONMENTAL HORTICULTURE

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PAINTED DAISY PRODUCTION AND CONSUMER CARE

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INTRODUCTION

- Common name: Painted daisy
- Scientific name: *Tanacetum coccineum*
- Ranges from 18-24'' tall and 12-18'' wide
- Fern-like foliage
- Red, rose, or pink flowers form in early summer
- Hardy in zones 4-9

GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT

- Grows well in full sun or partial shade
- Prefers moist but well-drained media
- Fertilize regularly during the growing season

PROPAGATION

- Can be propagated by division in spring or late summer
- Most often propagated by seed
- Seeds germinate in 1-2 weeks at 60-70°F
- Self-sown seedlings are very common

DISORDERS

- Root rot (*Pythium sp.*)
 - Plants yellow, wilt, and die
 - Improve drainage and air circulation
 - Remove badly infected plants
- Aphids

- Feed on tender new leaves and buds
- Leaves curl and turn brown
- Use a vigorous water spray every other day

CONSUMER CARE

- Remove spent flowers to promote a second bloom
- Use in an area where the plant can be contained
- Excellent cut flower

CULTIVARS AND SPECIES

- *Tanacetum coccineum*
 - 'James Kelway': bright red flowers
 - 'Robinson's Mix': red, pink, or white flowers

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