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Hanging Basket Favourite Bacopa Now Available from Seed

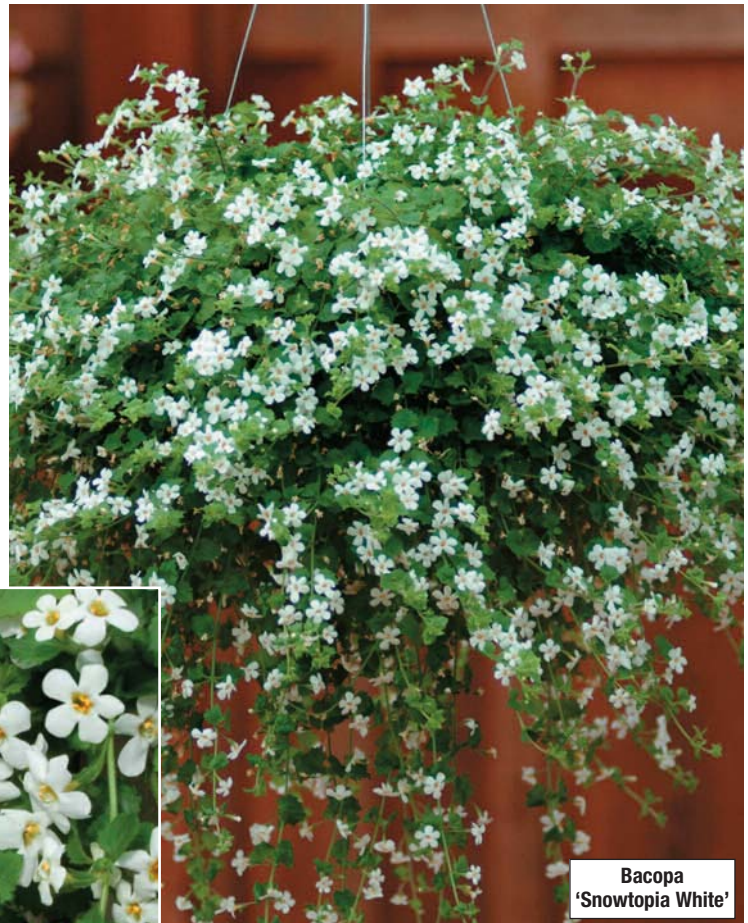
For many years gardeners have been growing the hanging basket favourite bacopa with its cascading habit and pure white blooms, but from cuttings. Now, for the first time, bacopa is available from seed.

As the seed of this species is very small, breeders have cleverly combined a cluster of seeds into a multi-pellet for easy sowing. These multi-pellets are ideal for sowing into individual cells or Jiffy 7's, removing the fiddly task of transplanting seedlings. Once the plants are large enough, these cells or Jiffy 7's can then be easily transplanted into baskets, Flower Pouches™ or window boxes.

New for 2009. Thompson and Morgan is introducing two different colours of seed-raised bacopa. **Bacopa 'Snowtopia White'** (*Bacopa cordata* 'Snowtopia White') and **Bacopa 'Blutopia Blue'** (*Bacopa cordata* 'Blutopia Blue') (Syn. *Sutera cordata*).

These two delightful snow-white and lilac-blue selections grow to just 5-15cm (2-6in) in height, but will cascade over the sides of baskets up to 45cm (18in) in diameter.

Bacopa 'Snowtopia White' and **Bacopa 'Blutopia Blue'** will look spectacular when planted on their own as a feature basket or Flower Pouch™. They are equally at home when added to other planting combinations in mixed baskets or containers. Each bushy green plant is quickly transformed into a cloud of tiny white or lilac-blue flowers, providing a colourful display all summer.



Bacopa
'Snowtopia White'



Bacopa
'Blutopia Blue'

Bacopa multi-pellets are best sown from January to March onto the surface of moist cells or Jiffy 7's. The seeds must not be covered as they need light to germinate. Place cells into a heated propagator or on a warm windowsill at a temperature of 20-23°C (68-75°F) until after germination, which only takes 5-10 days. £2.99 for 10 multi-pellets.

Thompson & Morgan is offering gardeners the chance to grow both colours of Bacopa. Get one packet each of **'Blutopia Blue'** & **'Snowtopia White'** at a special offer price of £4.49.

To place an order call the order line: 01473 695225 or order online at www.thompson-morgan.com/seeds. To request a free copy of the 2009 Thompson & Morgan Seed Catalogue call 01473 695224 quoting PRS9.

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