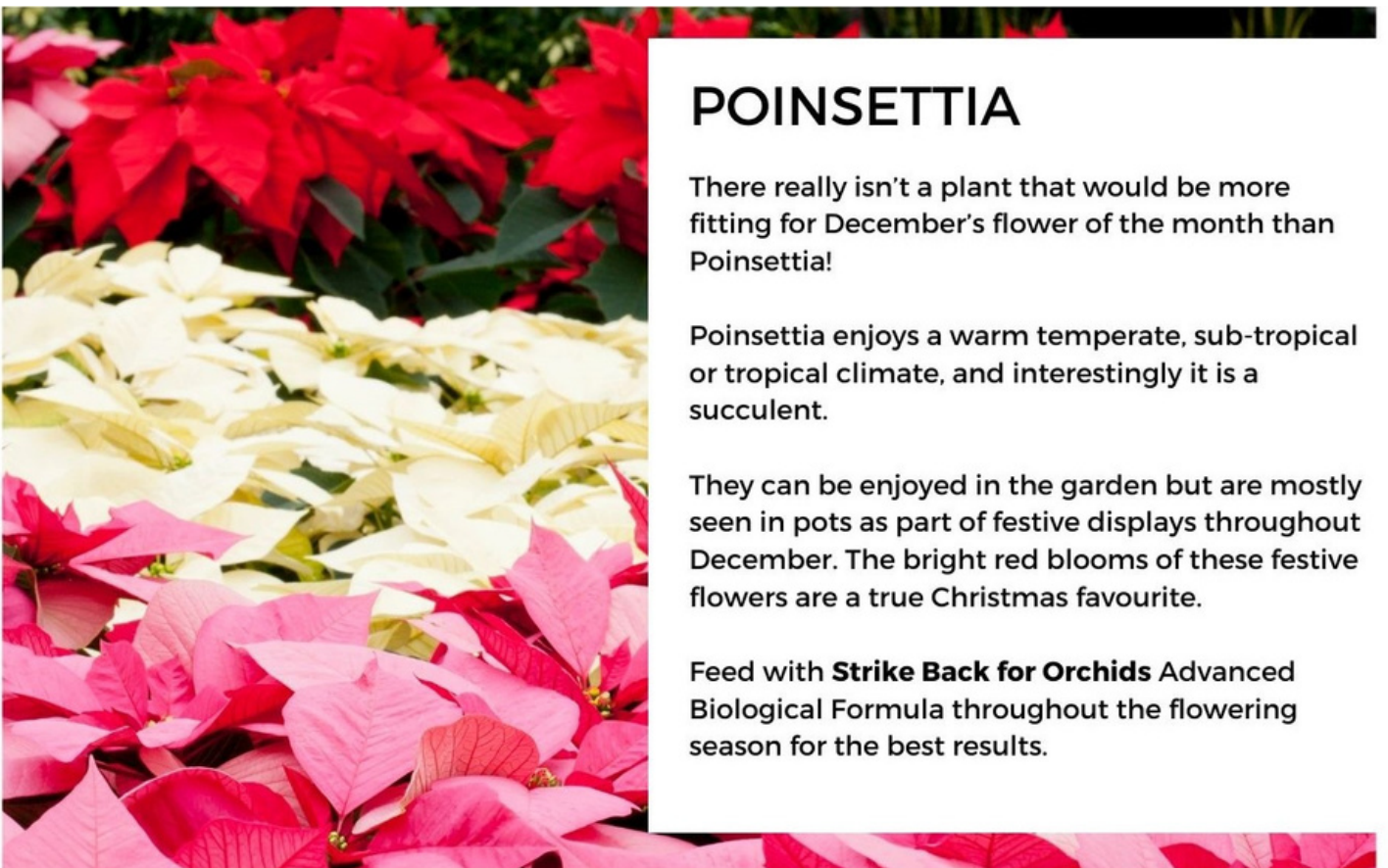


# DECEMBER

## IN THE GARDEN WITH NEUTROG

### DECEMBER BIRTH FLOWERS

Just like birthstones, birth flowers are symbolic of the month we're born in, and each one carries a special meaning. Poinsettia is the birth flower for December and the native birth flower is Christmas Bell.



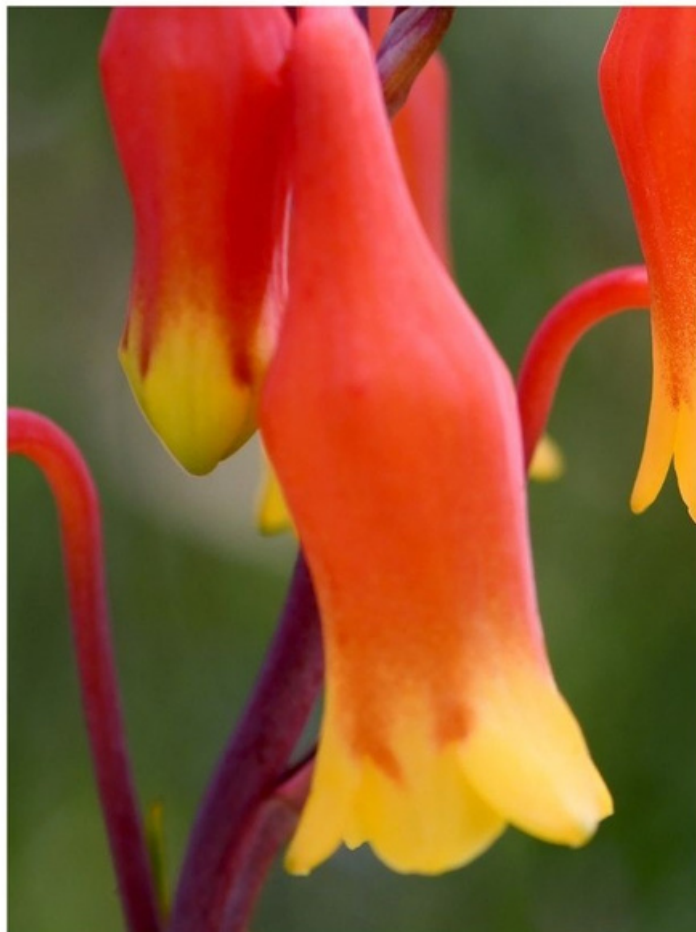
#### POINSETTIA

There really isn't a plant that would be more fitting for December's flower of the month than Poinsettia!

Poinsettia enjoys a warm temperate, sub-tropical or tropical climate, and interestingly it is a succulent.

They can be enjoyed in the garden but are mostly seen in pots as part of festive displays throughout December. The bright red blooms of these festive flowers are a true Christmas favourite.

Feed with **Strike Back for Orchids** Advanced Biological Formula throughout the flowering season for the best results.



## CHRISTMAS BELLS

Flowering during the festive period, the native flower of the month could be none other than Blandifordia, better known as Christmas Bells.

Christmas Bells are endemic to eastern Australia, primarily on the coast and nearby ranges between Sydney NSW and Fraser Island QLD.

Christmas Bells require light shade to full sun conditions and grow best in moist sandy soils that are free draining.

They greatly benefit from regular feeds with a native fertiliser like **Bush Tucker pellets** or **Advanced Biological Formula** to aid in strong root development and plenty of healthy blooms.

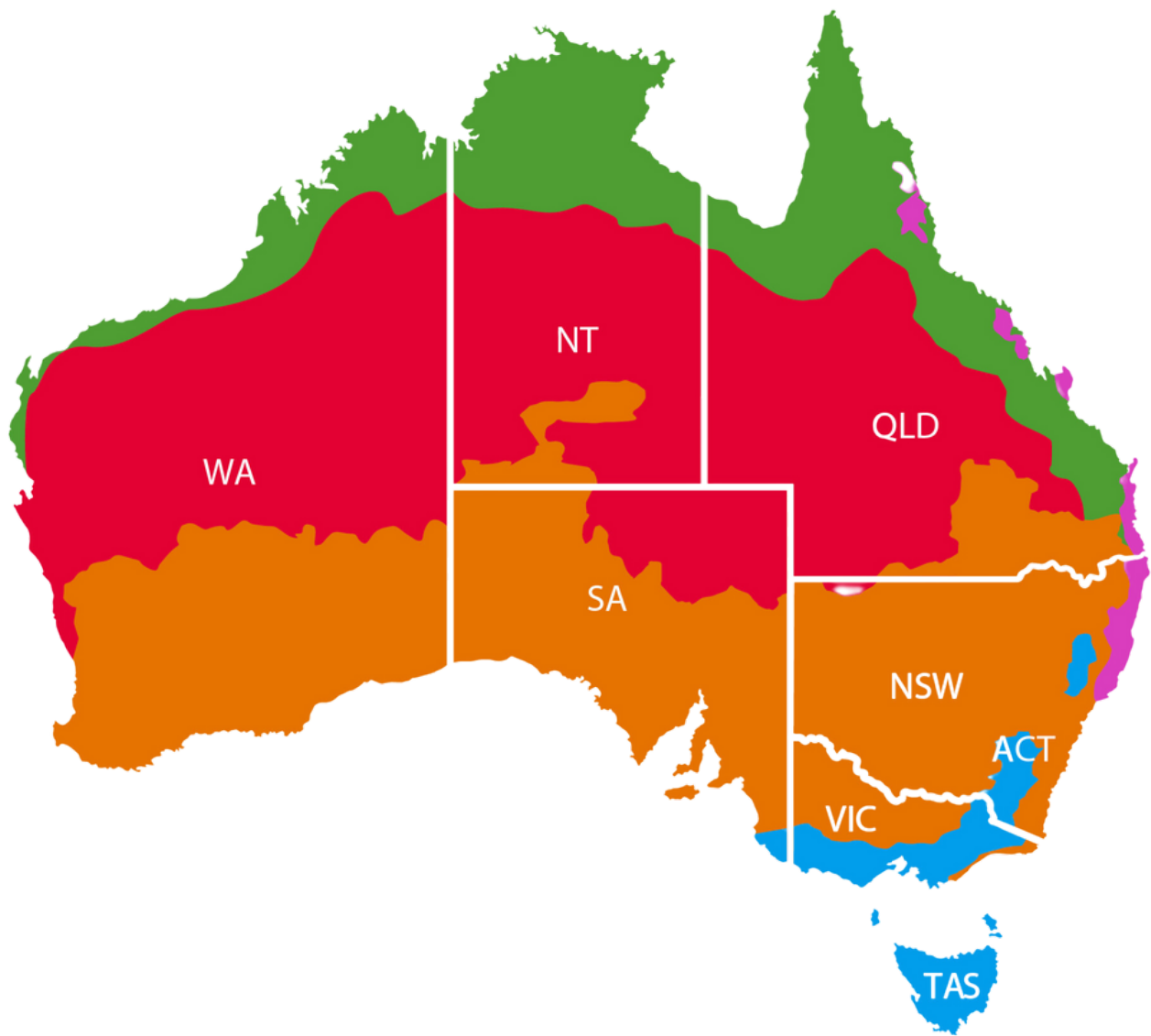
# PLANTING IN DECEMBER

Now is the time to prepare the summer application for your Year Round Feeding Programme. Like humans and animals, plants require regular feeding throughout the year – at least once each season. Happy, healthy, well-nourished plants are more resistant to pests, diseases, heat stress and frost.

All gardens will benefit from applications of **Seamungus**, **GOGO Juice** and **Whoflung-dung** to ensure a biologically active base for plants to thrive in. With plenty of great fruits, vegetables, herbs and flowers to plant now, a boost of microbiology will reward gardeners with plants that are protected a resilient against stress, pests and diseases.







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## COOL ZONE

### FRUIT & VEGETABLES

Asian Greens	Kohlrabi
Beans	Leek
Beetroot	Lettuce
Broccoli	Melon
Brussels	Parsnip
Cabbage	Potato
Capsicum	Pumpkin
Chilli	Radish
Carrot	Rhubarb
Cauliflower	Silverbeet
Radicchio	Spring Onion
Cucumber	Swede
Eggplant	Sweet Corn
Endive	Tomato
Fennel	Turnip
Kale	Zucchini

### HERBS

Basil  
Chervil  
Chives  
Dill  
Mint  
Parsley

### FLOWERS

Alyssum  
Cleome  
Hollyhock  
Lupin  
Marigold  
Nasturtiums  
Poppy  
Viola

## WARM ZONE

### FRUIT & VEGETABLES

Artichoke	Leek
Asian Greens	Lettuce
Beans	Melon
Beetroot	Parsnip
Cabbage	Potato
Capsicum	Pumpkin
Carrot	Radish
Chilli	Silver Beet
Cauliflower	Spring Onion
Cucumber	Sweet Corn
Eggplant	Sweet Potato
Fennel	Tomato
Kale	Zucchini
Kohlrabi	

### HERBS

Basil  
Chervil  
Chives  
Dill  
Ginger  
Mint  
Parsley

### FLOWERS

Alyssum  
Borage  
Cleome  
Cosmos  
Echinacea  
Lupin  
Marigold  
Nasturtiums  
Poppy  
Salvia Seeds  
Sunflowers  
Viola  
Zinnia

## HOT ZONE

### FRUIT & VEGETABLES

Beans	Potato
Capsicum	Pumpkin
Chilli	Radish
Cucumber	Tomato
Eggplant	Zucchini
Leek	
Lettuce	
Melon	

### HERBS

Basil  
Ginger

### FLOWERS

Marigold  
Petunia  
Salvia

## TROPICAL ZONE

### FRUIT & VEGETABLES

Asian Greens  
Beans  
Capsicum  
Chilli  
Cucumber  
Eggplant  
Sweet Corn  
Sweet Potato  
Tomato

### HERBS

Basil  
Ginger

### FLOWERS

Balsam  
Celosia  
Cockscomb  
Marigold  
Petunia  
Salvia  
Sunflower  
Vinca

## SUB-TROPICAL ZONE

BYRON BAY, BRISBANE & ROCKHAMPTON

### FRUIT & VEGETABLES

Asian Greens	Radish
Beans	Rockmelon
Capsicum	Sweet Corn
Chilli	Sweet Potato
Cucumber	Tomato
Eggplant	Watermelon
Lettuce	Zucchini
Pumpkin	

### HERBS

Basil  
Ginger

### FLOWERS

Celosia  
Cosmos  
Marigold  
Petunia  
Sunflower

# FERTILISING IN DECEMBER



Year round  
fertilising for  
year round  
health

Like humans and animals, plants require regular feeding throughout the year – at least once in each season.

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## WATER

Its time to water! Water your garden beds deeply. Your garden will respond better to a good soak less often, rather than a little sprinkle every couple of days.

Add in a monthly dose of **GOGO Juice** to keep the soil equipped to deal with the challenging summer conditions.







## ROSES

Feed your roses with **Sudden Impact for Roses** to encourage a strong flush of flowers and to help minimize pest and disease problems and make your plants more resistant to the stresses of heat and drought.

You can find out more about summer rose care using the culture notes on Neutrog's website.



## LAWN

Watch your lawn over the summer months and be sure not to mow it too short. The longer blades will provide shade and protection for the soil which keeps it cooler and decreases the amount of evaporation.

Apply **Sudden Impact for Lawns + POPUL8** granules or Advanced Biological Formula.



## POTTED PLANTS

Don't let your pots dry out this summer! If you plan to head away for the holiday season, be sure to give them a good drink and feed with **Strike Back for Orchids** pellets or Advanced Biological Formula.

If using pellets, you can view our application rate relative to pot size at the bottom of this email.







## MULCH

Give the soil in your garden beds and pots the ultimate protection by mulching with **Whoflungdung**.

Apply a uniform layer over the entire garden at 25mm to 100mm deep to cover the soil, making sure to leave a 100mm gap around the base of any plants, trees or shrubs. Water it in well.



## FERNS & GREENERY

Ferns and shade loving plants will also feel the heat this summer. Top up your greenery with a seaweed solution like **Seamungus Advanced Biological Formula**.

Seaweed contains naturally occurring growth stimulants along with a huge range of other essential elements that have the ability to aid in the protection of plants from heat stress.



## VEGETABLES

Apply **Gyganic for Veggies, Fruit & Citrus** or **Human Beans** over your veggies this season including tomatoes, eggplant, chilli and zucchini.

This will keep you busy with picking, eating, pickling and cooking!







## GARDENIAS

Gardenias are lovely over the summer months. With a little attention, their glossy, deep green leaves and large white or yellow rose-like flowers will put on an exquisite show.

Feed with **Kahoona** for Acid Loving Plants and water in with **POPUL8**



## NATIVES

Native plants will appreciate a feed with **Bush Tucker Advanced Biological Formula** which is boosted with bacteria and fungi to increase disease resistance.

The added microbiology in Bush Tucker liquid will assist the plants greatly during summer.



If you have any questions about feeding your garden, please get in touch with our team by clicking the button below.

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# NEUTROG POT GUIDE

All potted plants will need a feed to keep them thriving throughout the year.

Application rates differ depending on the size of the pot you are using, so to make it easier for you, we have put together this simple guide.



Pot Size	40"/100cm	30"/76cm	20"/50cm	12"/30cm	6"/15cm
Strike Back for Orchids:	100g	75g	50g	30g	15g
Sudden Impact for Roses:	185g	135g	85g	45g	15g
Kahoona:	185g	135g	85g	45g	15g
Seamungus:	250g	190g	125g	75g	40g
Bush Tucker:	150g	115g	75g	45g	25g
Gyganic:	185g	135g	85g	45g	15g
Human Beans:	250g	190g	125g	75g	40g

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