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Although certain seed sources claim that lavatera can be rather fussy to transplant, even without any extra pampering I have yet to lose a single plant this way.

As a precaution, I recommend that you simply sow your lavatera seeds into peat pots that can then be planted out directly (after hardening off) to reduce transplant shock.

Just remember, whether you fall for old or newly developed varieties, lavatera is an annual worth bringing out of the past and into our 21st Century gardens.\*



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Lavatera 'Novella Rose'

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Lavatera is recommended as a water-wise choice by some municipalities. Yet, at the same time, it also tolerates damper sites. Occasional deadheading intensifies blooming and in milder areas lavatera often reseeds itself.

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Lavatera is a confidence-builder for novice seed-sowers as it germinates easily in 14-21 days at room temperature (70°F/21°C) and then grows vigorously, even on a sunny window sill.

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