Sowing instructions

Chickpeas

Pre-soak: yes

Indoor sowing: February - April

Germination: 7 - 10 days

Germination temp.: 14 - 22 °C

Sowing depth: 2 - 3 cm

Plant distance: 7 - 15 cm

Plant position: sunny and sheltered

Days till harvest: 95 - 100

Sow indoors from February on in small pots filled with potting soil. Cover the seeds with a thick layer of soil, because chickpeas are dark germinators. Pre-soak the seeds in tepid water about 24 hours before sowing. This to guarantee a better and quicker germination. Put the pots in a warm and dark room. Cover the pots with some Clingfilm to retain the moisture. Remove the Clingfilm when the seedlings emerge. Put the seedlings in larger pots when they're about 7 cm in size.

Harden the seedlings of in the beginning of May. Plant them outdoors In the middle of May, after the Ice-Saint. Give them a sunny plot with some shelter against the wind and a sturdy support. Harvest the pods when they colour light yellow - brownish. Cut them with siccors from the plants. Each pod contains about 2 - 3 peas. The pods can be kept for about a couple of days in the fridge. The peas can also be dried. Then they can be kept for a couple of months in a dark, cool place.