

| Name         | Medium  | Container                             | Hormone     | Fungicide        | Fertilizer  | Watering Procedure                                      | Sweatbox-Coldframe                                    | Transplant               |
|--------------|---|---------------------------------------|-------------|------------------|---|---|---|--------------------------|
| James Harris | Ground pine bark with perlite                             | 3-inch square pot                     | None        | Banrot or Captan | Pinch of Osmocote (16-6-12/9 months) is placed in bottom of container | No regular schedule - best left outdoors                | Kept under sweatbox during winters                    | Spring (1 gal pot)       |
| Dave Butler  | 1/3 peat, 1/3 pine bark, 1/3 perlite                      | 6-cell plastic pack                   | Rootone     | Captan           | 1/2 solution Miracid after rooting starts                             | Plants are kept moist during rooting                    | Cold frame  | Spring (3" or 4" pot)    |
| Ray Goza     | ground pine bark - 80%, sphagnum peat - 10% perlite - 10% | 2-1/4-inch by 3-inch tall plastic pot | Hormodin #2 | Captan           | 1/2 cup Osmocote to a wheel-barrow of medium mix                      | Keep moist  | Overwinter in sweatbox                                | Spring (1 gal container) |
| Mark Hill    | Screened Pine bark (1/4-inch or less)                     | 4- x 4-inch plastic pot               | Rootone     | None             | None  | Bark was soaked before striking - thereafter kept moist | Hoop frame (4 x 10 x 2 feet with white plastic cover) | Spring                   |

There are several notes of interest which we could not fit into the tables:

- (1) Earl Hester advises to begin a fungicide spray program after rooting, using Benlate®.
- (2) Frank Bryan is new to rooting and did a lot of experimenting. He was well pleased with the milk carton plants which were very successful.
- (3) James Harris starts pinching his plants early to encourage branching.
- (4) Ray Goza advises to spray periodically with Captan®. Mark Hill is also a first-timer who attained good results.
- (5) In most cases, references to ground pine bark refers to the use of a product "Nature's Helper". This is found in two to three cubic foot bags at most garden centers.
- (6) Plastic containers can normally be found through nursery supply catalogs, or at a local nursery. Some garden centers may save you a small supply. The containers come in flats which contain packs of varying numbers of cells. For example, a 1203 flat contains twelve packs with three cells per pack (thirty-six plants to a flat). A 1206 mini-flat equals twelve six-plant cells, or seventy-two plants to a flat. Other propagating flats can hold even more plants.

### Avoiding Lyme Disease

The U. S. National Arboretum Agricultural Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture has published a "Tick Fact Sheet". They advise the following steps to avoid Lyme Disease:

*Tuck your pants into your socks to prevent ticks from climbing upward under your clothing.*

*Place bird feeders away from your deck and house. Birds may carry ticks and mice may be attracted by dropped seed.*

*Decrease the available nesting sites for mice. Keep grass mowed and woodpiles stacked away from your house.*

*Wear light colored clothing when you enjoy the outdoors. Ticks are much easier to see against a light background.*