

# Salvia (Perennial Salvia)

## 72ct Plug

Container:

Trade 1 Gallon Container

Finish:

8-10 weeks

When To Plant:

Late summer

Notes:

Bulk the summer prior to sales for best results.

## Grade #1 Bare Root

Container:

Premium 1 Gallon Pot

Finish:

6-8

When To Plant:

Late winter to late spring

## Growing Temperature:

55-65° F

## Soil pH:

5.8-6.2

## Fertility:

Salvias are light to moderate feeders, requiring only modest amounts of fertilizer. Apply a constant liquid fertilizer at 50 ppm nitrate at each watering.

## Potting and Timing:

Roots can be trimmed to fit container.

## Moisture:

For potting soil use Commercial planting media.

Water plants thoroughly and let plants dry out between waterings. Overwatering can lead to root and crown rot.

## Planting Level:

Plant crown even with soil level.

## PGRs/Pinching:

It is beneficial to pinch plants from plugs to increase lateral branching. For height control use Daminozide (B-Nine or Dazide) at 2500 ppm 2-3 times at weekly intervals.

## Holding Temperature:

45-50° F

## EC Level:

2.0-3.0 pour through method

## Vernalization:

Not required to flower but is beneficial. If planting plugs in summer provide 8-10 weeks of cold.

## Pests and Diseases:

Scale, whiteflies, spider mites, aphids, beetles, stalk borers, aster leafhopper and others, plant bugs, caterpillars, nematodes, greenhouse leaf tier (Oeobia), greenhouse orthezia (Orthezia).

Rot(Sclerotium), bacterial blight(Pseudomonas), leaf spots, Botrytis blight, damping-off, powdery mildew(Erysiphe), downy mildew (Peronospora), Verticillium wilt, stem rot (Sphaeropsis), rusts, root rots, viruses.

## Lighting:

Salvias will flower best under long days.

## Grower Tips:

Plant plugs in late summer for best results or choose bare root for a quick-turn spring planted crop.



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