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 amount of fertilizer. Apply a constant liquid fertilizer at 50ppm nitrate at each watering.

Potting and Timing:
Root Trimming: 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.

Lighting:
Salvias will flower best under long days.

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, caterpillers, nematodes, greenhouse leaf tier (Oeobia), greenhouse orthezia (Orthezia).

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

PGRs/Pinching:
It is beneficial to pinch plants from plugs to increase lateral branching. For height control use B-Nine at 2500 ppm 2-3 times at weekly intervals.

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