

Anemone Mistral Series

- Italian bred anemones
- Large flowers with long stems
- Brightly coloured blooms
- Adds a delicate touch to arrangements
- Suitable for greenhouse or field production

Anemones need extra protection from cold temperatures, but if carefully tended, they will produce an abundance of blooms during the early months of spring.

Mistral Anemones are bred by Biancheri Creations of San Remo, Italy. Their breeding program combines tradition with research and focuses not only on creating amazing flowers, but also on producing quality, early flowering plants with high production and consistency. Mistral Anemones are eye-catching blooms, always a favorite with floral designers and brides

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CULTURAL INFORMATION

Anemone coronaria

CROP TIME: From plug to flower is approximately 12-14 weeks.

PLANTING DENSITY: 2-4 plants per 15 x 20cm netting square.

PRE-PLANTING:

- **SOIL:** Respond best in a soil with good fertility, high organic matter, and excellent drainage
- **pH:** 6.0 to 7.0
- Protection from wind, and ideally, some shade.
- **NETTING:** Netting size 15 x 20cm.

IRRIGATION: Water frequently to maintain adequate and uniform soil moisture. Drip irrigation is best.

FERTILISATION: Basic production requires a soluble fertiliser with a 2:1:2 (N:P:K) ratio such as a 20-10-20 at 100-200 ppm N. The fertiliser should be applied at every irrigation (fertigation). EC readings for soluble salt levels should not exceed 2.0 mmhos/cm (ds/m).

HARVEST: Anemones should be harvested when flowers have just started to open. Harvest when the petals begin to separate from the center of the flower, but are not all the way open. If cut flowers are transferred between containers of water, re-cut the stem, preferably with an underwater cutter.

POST HARVEST: Flowers are sensitive to ethylene gas, which will shorten vase life. Anemones should not be mixed with narcissus stems because exudate from narcissus causes limp stems in anemones.

INSECTS AND DISEASES:

- Pythium
- Rhizoctonia
- Botrytis
- Powdery mildew