## **PURPLELICIOUS F1**

broccoli

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#### YOUNG PLANT CULTURE

#### germination days

3 days (max 2 nights)

#### germination temp.

64°F (18°C) Covered and high humidity, no light needed

#### growing days

35 (5-7 weeks) depends on light-intensity

## growing temp.

64°F (18°C)

#### minimum growing temp.

 $46^{\circ}\text{F}$  (8°C) This lengthens the growing days period

## optimal day/night temp.

day: 68°F (20°C) night: 57°F (14°C)

#### soil for sowing

Sowing soil with good drainage, EC 1.5 PH 5.8-6.5

### sowing covering

Vermiculite / soil with open structure /app. 4-8 mm thick

#### fertilization (f) in the plug

1.5 EC with each watering, low Nitrogen

#### ready to transplant

2 large leaf's and central sprout start to stretch. Roots cover the whole plug.

# CULTIVATION TIPS DURING YOUNG PLANT GROWING

- Plants may go limp. In juvenile stage, not too long.
- Preventive insect protection for cabbage-fly, swede-midge

#### **FINISH PLANT CULTURE**

#### potting soil

Standard soil with good drainage and water storage capabilities EC 1.5 PH 5.8-6.5

#### pot size

6-8"

### plugs per pot

1 plug for pots.

#### outdoor in open soil

Planting distance 20" x 20"

#### planting soil outdoor

Standard soil with good drainage and water storage capabilities EC 1.5. PH 5.8-6.5

#### minimum growing temp.

42°F (8°C) This lengthens the growing days period

#### ideal growing temp.

46°-75°F (18°C-24°C)

#### optimal day/night temp.

day: 68°F (20°C)

night: 57°F (14°C) Warmer nights result in a violet purple stem color.

#### days planting-finish

This period is strongly related to

- Temperatures during day and night
- Light intensity
- More than 1x harvest (side-shoots present 50% of the crop weight)

7 weeks for the first central curd 8 weeks for the first range of side-shoots 10 weeks for the second range of sideshoots

#### frost

Plants cannot stand frost

#### watering

- Regularly, keep the soil moist, never let the plant go limp.
- Watering with minimum 1.5 EC

#### fertilization

A high fertilization level creates a large diameter of the plant/ frinched silver-green foliage.

A low fertilization level reduces the diameter of the plant.

# CULTIVATION TIPS DURING FINISH PLANT GROWING

- In principle this product can be sold in various stages, especially as a potplant.
- As a 4-5" pot-plant, to grow on at consumers home garden or patio container.
- As a 6-7" container to finish at home
- As a full grown plant (0.5-1.5 kg) from an outdoor crop depending on the harvest of side-shoots. Picking trough 3 times can maximize the crop.
- Pinching after 4-5 weeks after planting delays the crop for a week and results in more smaller curds crop with taller stems.
- Color contrast is high when the nights are cold.
- Pay attention to cabbage-fly, swedemidge, aphids, rabbits and butterflyeggs

