

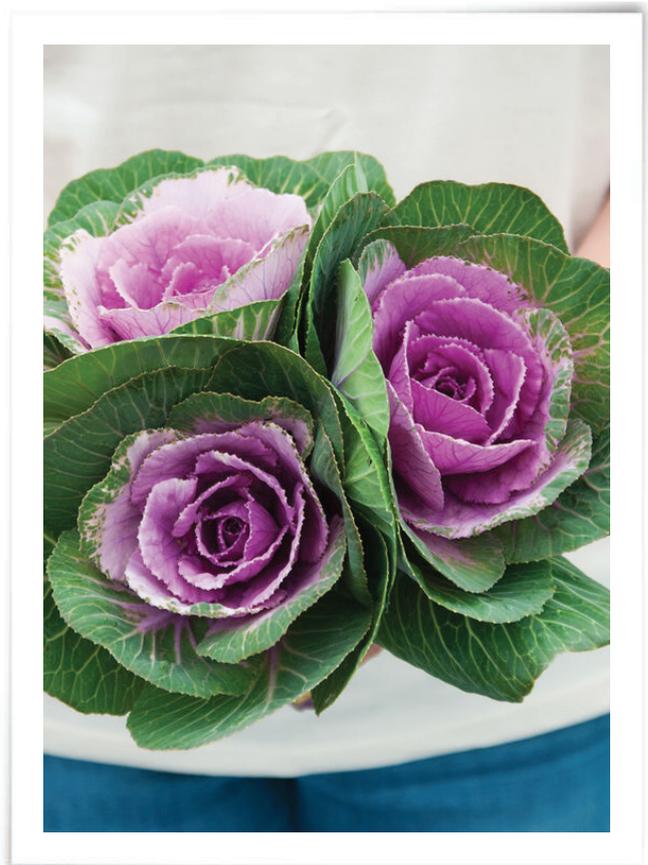
Flowering Kale Crane Series

- Adds texture and contrast to bouquets
- Colours fit today's styles and trends
- Suitable for cool greenhouse or field production

Ornamental cabbage, or flowering kale, has a tall, upright habit with a compact kale head, which makes it perfect for adding a unique touch for your bouquets. Growers can change the head size to suit their market by adjusting the density at which it's grown. This trait makes flowering kale a versatile focal-point cut flower.

The dark leaves that surround the colourful centre of the head provide nice contrast. The brightness of the colour depends on production temperature—cooler temperatures yield brighter, more vivid colour.

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CULTURAL INFORMATION

Brassica oleracea

CROP TIME: 15 weeks from planting.

PLANTING DENSITY: One plant per 15 x 20cm netting square.

PRE-PLANTING:

- **SOIL:** Well-drained, loose soil with no clumps, tilled at least 40cm deep.
- **pH:** 6.0 to 6.5
- Add calcium carbonate and DAP (di-ammonium phosphate).
- Watering in surface of soil helps with root formation.
- **NETTING:** One level of net, eight holes, 10x12cm, or 11 to 13 cm.

LEAF REMOVAL: Remove lower leaves; repeat three to four times as the plant grows taller.

IRRIGATION: Keep constant moisture (field capacity).

FERTILISATION: Use fertiliser at the beginning of the crop and reduce as leaves develop colour.

HARVEST: As soon as height is achieved and head has appropriate density formation.

POST HARVEST: Use clean water with a bactericide and immediate hydration.

INSECTS AND DISEASES:

- Leafminer (especially when plants are young)
- Aphids
- Cut worm
- Cabbage white butterfly
- Slug