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# Cut Flower Kale

## F1 Flare™ Series

*Brassica oleracea*



COLORS AVAILABLE: Rose, White

SIZE/PLANT HABIT/TYPE 30 to 38" tall /Single stemmed / Annual

NOVELTY CHARACTERISTICS Long stemmed, long lasting in arrangements and bouquets

MARKET USE: Cut flower

**CULTURAL RECOMMENDATIONS:**

SEASONAL APPLICATION

SOWING: July – August (June in cooler areas)

FINISHING: October - December

PHOTOPERIOD: Day length neutral, cool temperatures required for color to develop

PLUG STAGE

TRAY SIZE: 288, 200

GERMINATION: 7 – 10 days at 70 – 75° F in greenhouse

SUPPLEMENTAL LIGHTING: Not required

PLUG FINISH TIME: 3 - 4 weeks

FINISHING

TRANSPLANT: At 2 to 3 true leaf stag

SPACING:: 6 inch with netting

TEMPERATURE: 70 - 85°F initially for stem elongation, then less than 60°F to develop color

DAYS TO HARVEST: 90 to 110 days depending on climate

COMMON DISEASE/PESTS Aphids

NOTES:

- Netting is recommended, plants will fall over and produce curved stems otherwise
- Plants spaced more than 6" will produce heads that are very large and possibly not marketable
- When plants are 10" tall, remove lower leaves. This should be repeated 3 or 4 times as the plant grows taller.
- From a July sowing:
  - Give plants adequate fertilizer during your growing stage, finish flowering with clear water
  - Plants should begin to color about late September - October
  - Fertilization should be stopped once the heads color
  - Plants should be ready to harvest around Oct-November

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