Statice Sinuatum (QIS)

- Essential filler for bouquets, corsages and other arrangements
- Suitable for greenhouse or field production

Recognised as a real winner by professional cut flower growers the world over, statice QIS (Quality in Seed) is a considerable improvement over standard varieties in uniformity, colour, flower size and stem quality. The plants produce clouds of tiny, non-shattering flowers and deliver shipability and long vase life.

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CROP TIME: Allow 15 to 16 weeks from planting, plus three to four weeks in production.

PLANTING DENSITY: Six plants per square mtr.

PRE-PLANTING:

- SOIL: Well-drained, loose, sandy soil with no clumps: tilled to at least 25 cm deep.
- pH: 5.0 to 6.0
- EC: 1.4.
- **NETTING:** According to plant growth.

PINCH: Soft pinch when the first stem has induced. Be careful not to pinch too low because the stems can open up, then rot.

STEM INDUCTION: Cold conditions are more favourable for vernalization and flower induction. Apply 150 ppm of gibberellic acid (GA) five weeks after planting. A second application of GA can be used to help plants that have not induced.

IRRIGATION: Maintain constant moisture (field capacity) during the first six weeks. Avoid excessive irrigation. Reduce irrigation by 40% during production. In perennials, increase irrigation gradually one week after harvest.

HARVEST: Harvest when 70% to 80% of the flowers are open.

POST HARVEST: Place in clean water with bactericide.

INSECTS AND DISEASES:

- Botrytis
- Powdery mildew
- Cercospora
- Pseudomonas caryophylli
- Pseudomonas solanacearum