# **PROPAGATION**

# Salvia Midnight

Salvia nemorosa

# TRAY & ROOTING

Form Unrooted Cuttings

(URC)

Rooting Hormone **Yes** 

Tray Size(s) **72, 105** 

Plants Per Cell 1

Wks. From Stick To

Transplant

6-8

Pinch? Yes

Days from stick to pinch 21-28

# **FERTILITY**

Fertilize Through Mist? **No** 

50-75 ppm N (20-6-22 or

Fertilizer Rate **22-5-16 [15-0-15 under** 

low-light conditions])

EC Range Moderate: (2.0-3.5 mS

via SME)

pH Range **5.8-6.2** 

# **TEMPERATURE**

Average Soil Temperature 65-72°F (18-22°C)

Average Air Temperature 65-72°F (18-22°C)

#### **IRRIGATION**

Level 3: Keep media

Irrigation Frequency **moderately moist with** 

mild dry cycles

### LIGHT

Supplemental Optional

Benefits From Shade? **No** 

# POTENTIAL DISEASES

Botrytis, root and stem rot, bacterial leaf spot

# POTENTIAL PESTS

whitefly, aphids

# PGR SUGGESTIONS

- Optional 300-500 ppm Florel (3.9% Ethephon)
- Optional 2-3 pppm Sumagic (0.055% Uniconazole)

# CULTIVAR LIST

Midnight Purple, Midnight Rose



'Midnight Purple'

# **TIPS**

• Reduce mist as soon as possible when cutting become turgid.

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# **FINISHING**

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WIIIIIIIIIIII		
Vernalization Temperature	N/A	
CONTAINER SIZE	PLANTS PER POT	TRANSPLANT TO FINISH (WEEKS)
4 in./qt (10-12 cm)	1	5-6
6 in./Gal. (15-16 cm)	1-2	6-7
10 in. (22 cm)	3	7-8
FERTILITY		
Fertilizer Rate	150-200 ppm N (20-6-22 or 22-5-16 [15-0-15 under low-light conditions])	
EC Range	Moderate: (2.0-3.5 mS via SME)	
pH Range	5.8-6.2	
TEMPERATURE		
Day Temperature	65-75°F (18-24°C)	
Night Temperature	55-65°F (13-18°C)	
IRRIGATION		

LIGHT	
Photoperiodic requirements	Daylength Neutral
Supplemental?	None
Benefits From Shade?	No
PINCHING	
Finishing Pinch?	Yes
Transplant to pinch (days)	14-21

Level 3: Keep media moderately

moist with mild dry cycles

#### POTENTIAL DISEASES

Botrytis, root and stem rot, bacterial leaf spot

# POTENTIAL PESTS

Irrigation Frequency

whitefly, aphids,

# PGR SUGGESTIONS

- 6-8 ppm Sumagic (0.055% Uniconazole)'
- 2500-3750 ppm B-Nine (85% Daminozide) as needed
- 2-3 ppm Bonzi (0.4% Paclobutrazol) drench as needed





'Midnight Rose'

# **TIPS**

- Avoid overwatering. Proper spacing, air circulation, and medium-high EC helps promote branching and tones the plant.
- Long days will accelerate flowering.
- Cool temperatures can be used to maintain a compact habit.

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# FEATURES AND BENEFITS

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#### **KEY INFORMATION**

First Year Flowering? Yes

Bloom Time

**Spring to Summer** 

Exposure Full Sun

Hardiness Zone **3-10** 

Height **12-16 inches (30-41 cm)**Width **14-24 inches (36-60 cm)** 

# **DESCRIPTION**

Well matched series with attractive dark stems on an upright habit. Superior reflowering throughout the season in every region.

# **CONSUMER APPEAL**

- Salvia is one of the easiest perennials to grow, especially for gardeners whose maintenance strategy is "benign neglect".
- With its considerable flower power and strikingly full racemes/panicles, Salvia has no issues attracting pollinators like bees and butterflies. Its unmistakable foliage scent is a natural deterrent to rabbits and deer.

#### **GARDEN ATTRIBUTES**

- Can make a good cut flower and/or dried flower.
- Salvia is the perfect mainstay backbone for a sunny perennial border. Great for cottage gardens, pollinator gardens, in mass plantings, or in containers.
- The Salvia genus prefers well drained soils that go through periodic moist-dry cycles. Poorly drained soils or those that are consistently saturated should be avoided. Soil amendments such as compost or other organic matter can help Salvia thrive in clay soils.
- After the flower stalks have finished their blooming cycle, remove the entire stalk to encourage reblooming.

# NATIVITY

Europe and Western Asia



# **COMPANION PLANTS**

Stachys, Verbena, Scabiosa, Solidago, Oenothera, Dianthus

#### **COMMON NAME(S)**

woodland sage, Balkan clary, salvia

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