



## CATANANCHE caerulea 'Alba'


[Amor White, Stargazer, Bicolor]

White Cupid's Dart

Item No.: CT287

Portion Price (sufficient for 50-100 plants)	1g Price (0.1-9.9g)	10g Price (10-99.9g)	100g Price (100-999.9g)	1000g Price (1000-9999.9g)	10000g Price (10000-99999.9g)
3,00€	6,00€	48,00€	384,00€	-	-

### Plant Description

<b>Article Type</b>	JET® rubbed seed
<b>Life Cycle</b>	Perennial
<b>Family</b>	Asteraceae
<b>Origin</b>	Southwestern Europe
<b>Special Features</b>	Good as a cut flower. Still used for bouquets in Greece as a love symbol.
<b>Historical</b>	In folk botany this plant was used by the Greeks as an aphrodisiac. The name derives from the Latin catanance, what is meant by Pliny in the sense of 'magical love herb'.
<b>Basic Colour</b>	(white / cream)
<b>Flower Colour</b>	white with blue center
<b>Natural Flowering Period</b>	July - September
<b>Flowering</b>	First year flowering
<b>Winter Hardiness Zones</b>	Z4 - Z9
<b>Foliage</b>	narrow, grey-green, woolly
<b>Growth Habit</b>	erect
<b>Height with Flowers</b>	60 cm
<b>Spacing between Plants</b>	45 cm
<b>Soil Requirements</b>	dry / well-drained
<b>Location</b>	
<b>Usage</b>	honey-bee food plant / suitable for cutting

### Cultivation

<b>Grams per 1000 seeds</b>	2.7027 Gram
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<b>Seeds per Gram</b>	370 (does not correspond to the number of plants!)
<b>Gram to get 1000 plants</b>	7.5 Gram (if sown directly into pots etc. you will need a larger quantity)
<b>Sowing Rates/Trays</b>	4 per cell
<b>Plug tray recommended size(s)</b>	72 / 128
<b>Sowing Direction</b>	(15) Rapidly germinating, keep seed in constant moisture (not wet) with temperatures of about +20°C [68°F]. Seeds must be covered thinly. Do not cover very small seeds, but tightly press into the earth. Keep in cooler conditions after germination occurs.

## Scheduling

<b>Best Sowing Date</b>	Anytime (northern Hemisphere, Field condition)
<b>Sowing to Germination</b>	2 - 3 weeks
<b>Germination to Transplant</b>	4 - 8 weeks
<b>Transplanting to Potting</b>	6 - 10 weeks
<b>Cutting back at Transplanting</b>	Cut-back once to keep more compact.

## Growing On

<b>Container Size(s)</b>	1-2 plugs per 11/12 cm (4 1/2")
<b>Vernalization</b>	No vernalization required for flowering in the first year.
<b>Forcing</b>	Provide 16 hours of continuous lighting. During the short days of winter, provide a night interruption lighting of 4 hours between 10:00 p.m. and 2:00 a.m. 6-8 weeks to flower.
<b>Fertilizer</b>	Medium (150-200 ppm)