



## COLCHICUM autumnale



Autumn Crocus

Item No.: CA593

Also available as: Organic seed

Portion Price (usually sufficient for approx. 50 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)
2,00€	2,00€	8,00€	56,00€	392,00€	-

## Plant Description

<b>Life Cycle</b>	Perennial
<b>Family</b>	Colchicaceae
<b>Origin</b>	Central and Western Europe: meadows, wooded edges, slopes.
<b>Special Features</b>	Bell or funnel-shaped, purple to pink purple flower. Conspicuous yellow anthers.
<b>Basic Colour</b>	(violet)
<b>Flower Colour</b>	lilac
<b>Natural Flowering Period</b>	August - October
<b>Winter Hardiness Zones</b>	Z4 - Z7
<b>Foliage</b>	basal, lanceolate
<b>Height with Flowers</b>	15 cm
<b>Spacing between Plants</b>	20 cm
<b>Soil Requirements</b>	moist / average / humus rich, fertile
<b>Location</b>	 
<b>Characteristics</b>	toxic plant / medicinal plant / beneficial plant / groundcover
<b>Usage</b>	honey-bee food plant / for the rock garden

## Cultivation

<b>Grams per 1000 seeds</b>	5.71429 Gram
<b>Seeds per Gram</b>	175 (does not correspond to the number of plants!)
<b>Gram to get 1000 plants</b>	30 Gram (if sown directly into pots etc. you will need a larger quantity)

**Sowing Direction**

(6) These seeds germinate extremely late, sometimes it takes one year or longer before germination starts. To best utilize space and avoid drying out, this seed must be “stratified” (placed in layers of wet sand – alternately a thin layer of seeds and a layer of well-moistened sand, etc.). The stratification boxes have to be kept in the shade to benefit from weather effects – especially winter. A fine wire mesh will protect them from mice and birds. Nurseries have found that concrete boxes are useful for large amounts of seed. In spring frequently check to see if germination has begun. When germination has started, the seeds must be sown immediately in the prepared bed with the moist sand.