




## SALVIA sclarea var. turkestanica 'Vatican White'

Clary Sage, Clear Eye, Muscatel Sage

Item No.: SA060

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)
2,00€	2,40€	18,00€	144,00€	-	-

### Plant Description

<b>Life Cycle</b>	Biennial
<b>Family</b>	Lamiaceae
<b>Origin</b>	Europe and Central Asia
<b>Special Features</b>	The widely branched flowering panicles hold flowering buds shaped like hops that eventually develop into brilliant white bracts. The flowers open from June to July but the flowering effect with its colorful bracts extend the season from May through September. Salvia is short-lived, but self-sowing. Attractive leaves from spring through late fall, strongly aromatic.
<b>Historical</b>	A well-known species that has been grown for economic, culinary and medicinal uses, as well as for its handsome ornamental virtues. It is grown as a farm crop for the cosmetic and fragrance industry for its valuable sclareol resin. In the kitchen, it can be used to flavor omelets and stews. Medicinally, it has been used to freshen the eyes and to treat kidney and stomach ailments. And interestingly, it has alleged value in slowing the aging process.
<b>Basic Colour</b>	(white / cream)
<b>Flower Colour</b>	white
<b>Natural Flowering Period</b>	June - July
<b>Winter Hardiness Zones</b>	Z4 - Z8
<b>Foliage</b>	large, grey-green, leathery, aromatic
<b>Growth Habit</b>	erect
<b>Height with Flowers</b>	75 cm
<b>Spacing between Plants</b>	60 cm
<b>Soil Requirements</b>	dry / well-drained
<b>Location</b>	



## Cultivation

<b>Grams per 1000 seeds</b>	4 Gram
<b>Seeds per Gram</b>	250 (does not correspond to the number of plants!)
<b>Gram to get 1000 plants</b>	10 Gram (if sown directly into pots etc. you will need a larger quantity)
<b>Sowing Rates/Trays</b>	2 - 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>Sowing Time Hint</b>	Spring to early summer.
<b>Sowing to Germination</b>	1 - 2 weeks
<b>Germination to Transplant</b>	3 - 4 weeks
<b>Transplanting to Potting</b>	4 - 8 weeks
<b>Cutting back at Transplanting</b>	Not Necessary.

## Growing On

<b>Container Size(s)</b>	1-2 plugs per 11/12 cm (4 1/2")
<b>Vernalization</b>	There is no current research on vernalization but a prudent recommendation for any perennial would be 6-12 weeks (a few might need 15 weeks!) at an average daily temperature of 40°F (5°C). Exposure to cold may not be necessary for flowering but might improve quality.
<b>Forcing</b>	An obvious place to experiment - following vernalization - would be raising daytime temperatures to 60° - 65°F (15° - 17°C). 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.
<b>Fertilizer</b>	Medium (150-200 ppm)