

Melinis nerviglumis

Savannah

Great Structure Plant for High Value Combos



- Excellent texture for mixed containers or large landscape plantings
- Dense, velvety pink panicles
- Long panicles blow in the wind
- Drought tolerant
- Optimal storage: up to 6 months at 5 °C / 41 °F

Crop Time	Spring: 20 - 22 weeks
Height ∅	21 " / 53 cm
Width ∅	12 " / 30 cm
Exposure	Sun - Partial shade
Seed Form	Raw Seed, BeGreen Pelleting
Product Use	Bedding, Cutflower
Foliage Color	Green
Plume Color	Rose

TECHNICAL GUIDE

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Plug Culture

Germination: Optimum conditions for seedling development, beginning on the day of sowing until radicle emergence. Expect germination in 7-14 days.

Cover: No cover is required.

Sowing method: 4-6 seeds per plug.

Media: pH 5.8-6.2; EC <1.0

Temperature: 20-22 °C (68-72 °F) until radicle emergence, then reduce to 18-20 °C (64-68 °F) during day and night.

Moisture: Begin with a wet (4) for the first days of germination. Alternate between moisture levels moist (3) and medium (2) to maintain a good wet to dry cycle. Avoid overwatering.

Light: Supplemental lighting is optional in the plug stage. If desired, provide light levels up to 35,000 lx.

Fertilizer: Maintain an EC <1.0. Use a balanced fertilizer. Feeding should start <100 ppm N.

Growth Regulators: Not required.

Growing On

Media: pH 5.5-6.5; EC 1.0-1.2

Temperature: 12-15 °C (54-58 °F) during day and night.

Moisture: Alternate between moisture levels moist (3) and medium (2) to maintain a good wet to dry cycle. Avoid overwatering.

Light: Lighting is optional, but supports the plant growth, especially in spring.

Fertilizer: Feed moderate with 150-200 ppm N using a balanced fertilizer.

Growth Regulators: Not required.

Timing & Positioning Charts

Plug Crop Time	
288 tray	6-8 wks
Finished Crop Time (from 288 tray)	
10-12 cm (4-5") pots (1*)	13-14 wks
15-19 cm (6-7") pots (3*)	14-15 wks

*plants per pot

Moisture Codes

Saturated (5) Water is easily observed when finger is pressed on cell. Water moves freely from the top of the plug to the bottom.

- Wet (4)** Media looks black and is not glistening. The media feels wet to the touch but there is very little water movement.
- Moist (3)** Water is not easily visible. When finger is pressed on the cell there is very little movement from top to bottom.
- Medium (2)** Media is not black, but now looks medium brown. There is no water movement when pressed with finger.
- Dry (1)** Media has changed color to a very light brown and is dry to the touch.

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