

**Chinese Cabbage, Blues**

**Moderately high barrel head (with medium green outer leaves) can weigh 4.5 lbs. Strong bolting tolerance, resistant to viruses, downy mildew, leaf spot, and bacterial soft rot. Used in sukiyaki, yosenabe, ohitashi, stir-fries, pickling and salad.**

**Culture: Germination temperature 50-85˚F. Ideally planted where you have not grown cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower, turnips, rutabaga or Brussels sprouts in the last four years.**

**Spacing: If direct sowing, plant seeds ¼-½" deep, 2 inches apart and thin to 8-10 inches. If transplanting, space 12-18" apart.**

**Irrigation: Approximately 1" water a week from either rain or irrigation. The top 6 inches of soil should remain moist but not feel soggy or waterlogged. Requires regular, even watering. Uneven watering can result in stunted or cracked heads. As plants reach maturity, cut back on watering to avoid splitting heads.**

**Fertilize: Add a topdressing of finished compost or apply a fertilizer such as fish emulsion. Side dress with balanced (8-8-8, for example) fertilizer two weeks after transplanting. Cabbage has a high nitrogen requirement early in growth. Side dress again (using high nitrogen fertilizer, such as blood or feather meal) five weeks after transplant.**

**Matures in 50-60 days from transplant or “*cut and come again”*** (**cut a few outer leaves for your salad, stir fry, or grilling and “come again” in a few days and cut more.**

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**Chinese cabbage is compatible with beets, celery, dill, onion, potatoes, nasturtium, tansy, beans, peas, marigolds, lettuce, and many herbs.**

**Incompatible with strawberries and tomatoes.**