



BROCCOLI

Harvest Guide 2024 Griffith - New South Wales



| VARIETY | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | OCT | NOV | DEC |
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| Atomic | | T/P | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Aurora | | | T/P | | | | T/P | | | | | |
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| Solitaire | | | | T/P | | | | | | | | |
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T/P Transplant H Harvest

DIRECT SOWING: Allow an extra 2-3 weeks depending on the time of year.

"Buttoning" or premature flowering can occur in young broccoli plants primarily in the spring timeslot. This is caused by stress to the seedlings either at the nursery stage or soon after transplanting from a range of factors including exposure to cold temperatures, extra/rapid hardening of the plants and wet/dry soil conditions. This problem is more pronounced in districts with cooler late winter/spring temperatures. Some varieties are more susceptible than others. However, even varieties that normally would not present with a significant issue in most years could still show symptoms under some conditions as noted. "Blindness" is a condition whereby the growing point of a seedling/young plant is damaged thereby preventing the production of a marketable head. Several factors can cause this including low and high temperatures, insect damage as well as non-recommended high levels of chemicals or fertilisers. At times, symptoms may not express in the nursery but rather in the field, several weeks after transplanting.

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ATOMIC

ATOMIC is an early maturing variety which handles summer/autumn harvest. ATOMIC produces blue-green dome-shaped heads with a fine bead and good weight. ATOMIC is not suited for spring harvest in cooler climates.



AURORA

AURORA is an improved Atomic type with early maturity (approx. 60 days from transplant) and is suited for autumn to early winter harvest. AURORA has a dome-shaped head and strong tolerance to hollow stem with excellent head weight, fine bead size and dark green colour. AURORA has shown less susceptibility to White Rust (Ac) in plantings to date.



SOLITAIRE

SOLITAIRE is a winter and shoulder season variety with good uniformity and a nice high, dome-shaped head. SOLITAIRE produces a very fine bead, heavy and firm tight heads, with good weight and holding ability. SOLITAIRE has nil side shoots in plantings to date and shows good tolerance to blindness in spring.