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## PROPAGATION

# *Origanum 'Kent Beauty'*

*Origanum rotundifolium*



### TRAY & ROOTING

|                               |                                |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Form                          | <b>Unrooted Cuttings (URC)</b> |
| Rooting Hormone               | <b>No</b>                      |
| Tray Size                     | <b>105</b>                     |
| Plants Per Cell               | <b>1</b>                       |
| Days In Mist                  | <b>5-7</b>                     |
| Wks. From Stick To Transplant | <b>4-5</b>                     |
| Pinch?                        | <b>Yes</b>                     |
| Days from stick to pinch      | <b>14-21</b>                   |

### FERTILITY

|                         |                                                                              |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Fertilize Through Mist? | <b>No</b>                                                                    |
| Fertilizer Rate         | <b>50-75 ppm N (20-6-22 or 22-5-16 [15-0-15 under low-light conditions])</b> |
| EC Range                | <b>2.0-3.5 mS via SME</b>                                                    |
| pH Range                | <b>6.0-6.5</b>                                                               |

### TEMPERATURE

|                          |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Average Soil Temperature | <b>65-72°F (18-22°C)</b> |
| Average Air Temperature  | <b>65-72°F (18-22°C)</b> |

### IRRIGATION

|                      |                                                                          |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Irrigation Frequency | <b>Level 2: Allow media to dry moderately between thorough waterings</b> |
|----------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|

### LIGHT

|                      |           |
|----------------------|-----------|
| Supplemental         | <b>No</b> |
| Benefits From Shade? | <b>No</b> |

### POTENTIAL DISEASES

Botrytis, Powdery Mildew, Root and Stem Rot

### POTENTIAL PESTS

Aphids, White Fly

### PGR SUGGESTIONS

- None



### TIPS

- Keep plants on the dryer side during prop for consistent, uniform rooting.
- Herbs are regulated as edible crops in both the USA and Canada. Only apply fungicides, insecticides, and PGRs that are approved for edible crop production in your state/province.

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FINISHING

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## VERNALIZATION

Vernalization Required? **No**

Vernalization Duration Minimum **N/A**

Vernalization Temperature **N/A**

| CONTAINER SIZE | PLANTS PER POT | TRANSPLANT TO FINISH (WEEKS) |
|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|
|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|

|                             |          |            |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------|
| <b>4 in./Qt. (10-12 cm)</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>4-6</b> |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------|

|                              |          |            |
|------------------------------|----------|------------|
| <b>6 in./Gal. (15-16 cm)</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>5-8</b> |
|------------------------------|----------|------------|

## FERTILITY

Fertilizer Rate **50-100 ppm N (20-6-22 or 22-5-16 [15-0-15 under low-light conditions])**

EC Range **2.0-3.5 mS via SME**

pH Range **6.0-6.5**

## TEMPERATURE

Day Temperature **65-75°F (18-24°C)**

Night Temperature **55-65°F (13-18°C)**

## IRRIGATION

Irrigation Frequency **Level 3: Keep media moderately moist with mild dry cycles**

## LIGHT

Photoperiodic requirements **Long Day Facultative: 12+ Hours Daily**

Supplemental? **None**

Benefits From Shade? **No**

## PINCHING

Finishing Pinch? **Yes**

Transplant to pinch (days) **14-21**

## POTENTIAL DISEASES

Botrytis, Powdery Mildew, Root and Stem Rot

## POTENTIAL PESTS

Aphids, White Fly

## PGR SUGGESTIONS

- None



## TIPS

- Sensitive to cold temperatures and overwatering, never allow temp to fall below 45°F (7.2°C).
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## FEATURES AND BENEFITS

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### KEY INFORMATION

|                       |                               |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| First Year Flowering? | <b>Yes</b>                    |
| Bloom Time            | <b>Summer</b>                 |
| Exposure              | <b>Full Sun</b>               |
| Hardiness Zone        | <b>4-9</b>                    |
| Height                | <b>4-8 inches (10-20 cm)</b>  |
| Width                 | <b>4-12 inches (10-30 cm)</b> |

### DESCRIPTION

Oregano is a must-have herb for anyone planning to make Italian cuisine in the near future. Pasta, lasagna, ravioli...you

### CONSUMER APPEAL

- Herbs and edibles are a trendy addition to any garden regardless of gardening experience. Children in particular should be included in the multi-sensory experience of an herb garden. Encourage them to touch, crush, smell, taste, and immerse themselves in the wonderful charm of herbs.
- The potent taste and fragrance of herbs makes them naturally resistant to rabbits, deer, and most herbivorous insects.

### GARDEN ATTRIBUTES

- 'Kent Beauty' is one of the few oreganos that has a showy and unique flower. Although allowing any herb to flower will drastically affect the aroma and flavor (usually for the worse), it might be worth it with 'Kent Beauty'.
- Herbs can be a clever and unorthodox addition to cut flower arrangements to create a truly zesty bouquet. Or, dry your herbs to enjoy them out-of-season
- Similar to its native growing conditions, oregano prefers to grow in very well drained, oftentimes rocky/sandy soils that are not kept saturated for extended periods of time. This plant actually prefers neutral to alkaline (high pH) soils.
- Herbs should not be allowed to flower at any time during their lifecycle. Flowering will alter the desired fragrance profile in addition to making the herb extremely bitter and unpalatable.

### COMPANION PLANTS

*French tarragon, lemon verbena, lemon balm, mint, basil, rosemary, sage, thyme, sweet marjoram, stevia*

### COMMON NAME(S)

Oregano



### NATIVITY

Asia Minor including Turkey, Armenia, and Georgia.

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