

Cauliflower

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General Information

- Brassica oleracea var. botrytis, Cauliflower
- Brassicaceae family
- Sunlight: full sun. Light shade. Can tolerate light shade but will slow maturity.
- Soil conditions: requires well-drained soil. Prefers fertile soil high in organic matter,
- Needs plentiful, consistent moisture.

Cauliflower photos courtesy of Gail Hermenaus.



Successful Cultivators

- White-Snow Crown (50 days)
- Orange- Flame Star (62 days)
- Purple - Graffiti (80 days)
- Romanesco - Puntoverde (78 days)



Common Pests and Diseases

- Cabbageworms
- Cabbage looper (pictured here)
- Cabbage Yellows

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