Kale (Organic)

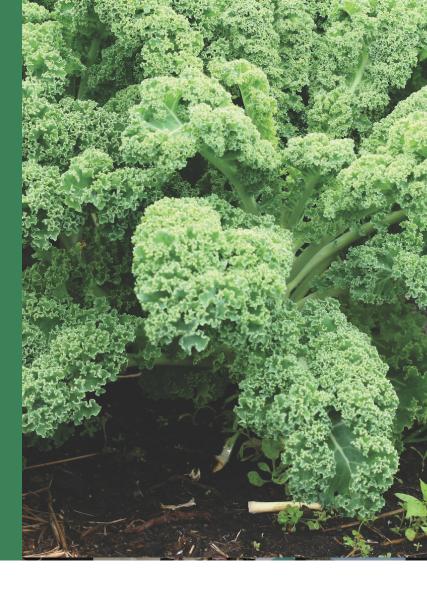
Darkibor organic kale seeds produce plants that have finely curled leaves with intense flavour. This is an early-maturing kale for late summer and fall harvests. Plants are upright, easy to grow, and ideal for multiple harvests.

Matures in 75 days

Season: Cool season

Exposure: Full sun

Difficulty: Easy



Growing

Sow 3-4 seeds 5mm ($\frac{1}{4}$ ") deep in each spot where a plant is to grow. Thin to the strongest plant. Space 45-60cm (18-24") apart in rows 75-90cm (30-36") apart.

Kale likes well-drained, fertile soil high in organic matter. This plant prefers plentiful, consistent moisture. Drought is tolerable, but the quality and flavour of leaves can suffer. Mix ¼ cup of complete organic fertilizer into the soil beneath each transplant.

Saving

Once the growing season is done, flowers will start to grow from the kale stalks. Once the flowers finish, long, thin pods form on the stalks. Once the pods have ripened and begun to dry out, cut stalks close to the ground. Invert the stems with heads and place them in a large paper bag. Tie off the opening with garden twine then hang the bags in a cool, dry location out of the wind. Once the pods are thoroughly dry (in 10 to 21 days), shake the stems inside the bag to dislodge the seeds. Put the seeds into a dated and labeled envelope and return to Brock!