

*Van Zyverden's*  
**ALLIUM GIGANTEUM**



Allium are in the same family as garlic, onions, chives and shallots. This makes gardeners wonder if they should include them in their ornamental gardening plans, as it conjures up images of supermarket produce. But because good garden designs are often made up of different shapes, allium's rounded blooms make for high drama and interest in the garden. The Allium group gets more popular annually, from over 300 species to choose. They amaze everyone, and few plants create this kind of wow in the garden. We will be adding many new varieties shortly.

*Among the largest and tallest Allium available*

*Deer and rodent resistant*

*Show-stopping color*

*About This Variety:* Allium Giganteum, commonly called giant onion, is perhaps the tallest of the ornamental onions. It is a bulbous perennial which produces a basal rosette of grayish-green, strap-shaped leaves. From the center of each basal rosette rises a thick, naked, 3-4' tall scape (stem) which is topped in late spring by a dense, globular, softball-sized, 5-6" diameter cluster (umbel) of tiny, star-shaped lilac-purple florets. Leaves and scapes smell like onions when bruised, but plant is not used for culinary purposes. Leaves begin to die back as plants begin flowering.

*Growing Instructions:* As Alliums do not like wet feet, find a sunny location where the soil drains well or try to improve the drainage. The bulbs will rot in wet areas. Aside from that, almost no maintenance is required.

*Care Tip:* Dig, divide, and replant bulbs after a few years of decreasing flower production.

*Exposure:* Full sun to partial shade

*Height:* Grows 34-36" tall

*Spacing:* Plant 9-12" apart, 5-6" deep

*USDA Zones:* Hardy in USDA zones 4-8

Guaranteed to grow 1 year from purchase if directions are followed. Any concerns related to quality and/or counts feel free to contact us.

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