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Lycopersicon esculentum
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Growing Tips for Garden Gem and Garden Treasure
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• In growing group BA (see page 148).

BERRIED TREASURE ™
Fragaria ananassa
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• 150 ppm N for optimal growth.
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• Bright light and cool nights are best for peak flowering and fruit set.
• Avoid high temperatures in production. Plants should be kept below 80°F to avoid a reduction in fruit quality.
• Watch for spider mites, especially when humidity is low. Spray both the undersides and tops of the foliage.
• Depending on conditions, allow about four weeks from flowering to ripened fruit.
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This is truly a game-changing plant – the first downy mildew-resistant variety of Italian sweet basil. If that weren’t reason enough to grow it, this vegetative selection is also quick to mature, up to three weeks faster than post-transplant seed-produced varieties. Once it reaches harvestable size, it remains in a vegetative state longer and sets sterile seed. Vigorous, large, well-branched plants produce a high yield. It’s time to make the switch from the old, disease-prone varieties to Amazel. You’ll never look back! New this year.

Growing Tips for AMazel™ Basil
- 150-200 ppm N for optimal growth.
- Pinch floral buds during early plant establishment to promote vegetative growth.
- Grow under high light conditions with good air circulation.
- Avoid temperatures below 40°F.
- Good water management practices are critical to healthy growth; avoid late day overhead watering.
- Employ good sanitation practices including keeping the greenhouse clean, eliminating weeds and debris, keeping hose-ends off the floor, and disinfecting equipment as often as possible.
- Scout for thrips and botrytis.
- In growing group BC (see page 149).

Meet the new Amazel™ Basil Proven Package.
Designed to tell the story behind this unique new basil, this specialty container and label is required for all Amazel Basil liners. Orders for liners placed without orders for this Proven Package will not ship.

Don't Forget the POP!
Distinguish the new Proven Harvest product line in your merchandising with this specially designed POP signage. Large display signs, benchtape and more will be ready to ship to Canada in time for 2019 sales.

[Final designs are subject to change.]