



MARKET REPORT

FOR WEEK ENDING

September 22, 2017

SPECIALIST SERVICES TO THE HORTICULTURAL AND FLORIST INDUSTRY TRADE

Prices Shown - Average to Top Quality

Sales are held as follows:
Vegetables & Fruit:
 Monday and Thursday 11.30am Wednesday 11 am
Flowers & Plants:
 Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 12.30 pm

CUT FLOWERS

Flower sales follow a familiar pattern this week with prices gathering momentum as the week progresses, peaking on Thursday, just in time for weekend sales. Low volumes of Asters keep price returns high due to demand outpacing limited supplies. Volumes of Local spray Chrysanthemums are also lower this week, helping to provide a boost for prices realised. Statice seems to have reached the end of the line for another year as the cooler nights temper any fresh growth spurts. With local Lilies unwilling to throw out any colour, it falls to imported stock to plug the gap, satiating attentive bidders.

Description	Per:	Average	Best
Asters	Bunch	£0.40 -	£0.80
Chrysanthus Spray Dutch	Bunch	£0.90 -	£1.30
Dahlia	Bunch	£0.40 -	£0.80
Delphiniums	Bunch	£1.00 -	£1.10
Gladioli	Bunch	£0.50 -	£0.70
Lily (Imported)	Bunch	£5.00 -	£7.00
Pinks	Bunch	£0.18 -	£0.25
Statice	Bunch	£0.50 -	£1.00
Sunflower	Bunch	£0.70 -	£1.20

WOULD VENDORS ENSURE THAT ALL PRODUCTS ENTERED INTO THE AUCTION ARE IDENTIFIED BY THEIR VENDOR NUMBER. VENDOR CARDS, WHICH MUST DETAIL THE DESCRIPTION, COUNT AND OR WEIGHT OF THE ITEMS ENTERED ARE AVAILABLE FROM RECEPTION.

POT & GARDEN PLANTS

At last ! A period of settled weather conditions is promised by our friends at the Meteorological office, injecting a touch of confidence into the market. Autumnal planting selections are in full force this week, with buyers beginning to take an interest in bunched Wallflowers and Sweet Williams. Spot plants for basket and tub artisans sell well, with Callunas and Gaultherias featuring highly on the buyers' wish lists. Patio Cyclamen prices are steady early in the week, hitting the high notes by Thursday. Demand for Pansies and Violas grows helping prices to bloom. The novelty plant of the week is a fantastic flash of dionaea muscipulas.

Description	Per:	Average	Best
Calluna	10 cm	£0.40 -	£0.60
Cyclamen (Patio)	10cm	£0.50 -	£0.65
Dionaea (Flytrap)	9 cm	£1.00 -	£2.00
Gaultheria	10 cm	£0.50 -	£0.70
Hebe Variegated	13 cm	£1.00 -	£1.20
Holly (Ilex) Assorted	3 Litre	£2.30 -	£2.70
Hydrangea	5 litre	£4.00 -	£5.50
Mixed Shrubs	13 cm	£1.00 -	£1.30
Pansy (Pot)	10 cm	£0.12 -	£0.22
Wallflower	Bunch	£0.50 -	£0.70

SPALDING AUCTION

ENTERPRISE WAY, SPALDING, LINCS, PE11 3YR

TEL: (01775) 723333
 FAX: (01775) 712495
 E-MAIL: info@spaldingauction.co.uk

FRUIT & VEGETABLES

Trade fluctuates throughout the week, as buyers are uncertain as to which produce to offer their love and affection. Wet Walnuts are welcomed into the fray on Wednesday, reminding us that Christmas is not far away. With the Courgette and Marrow seasons drawing to an inevitable end, uniform sized samples are met by a host of bids. With Halloween still over a month away, early entries of Pumpkins are met with only a muted interest. Bulk entries of bagged Onions affect demand as buyers can afford to pick and choose their lots. Despite Potato entries easing back slightly from last week, prices realised remain around three pounds a bag.

Description	Per:	Average	Best
Cabbage - Savoy	6's	£1.80 -	£2.50
Cauliflower	6's	£1.50 -	£2.80
Courgette	5kg	£3.00 -	£5.00
Leeks	4.5Kg	£2.50 -	£3.00
Onion 60/80	10kg	£1.20 -	£1.50
Potatoes	25kg	£2.50 -	£3.00
Pumpkin	Each	£0.40 -	£0.80
Red Beet	Bunch	£0.25 -	£0.35
Sprouts	9Kg	£6.50 -	£8.00
Tomatoes	5.4kg	£4.00 -	£6.00

PLEASE VIEW OUR ATTACHED DETAILS ON THE NEW HEALTH SCREENING SERVICE WITH THE LINCOLNSHIRE RURAL SUPPORT NETWORK