



FOR WEEK ENDING

# MARKET REPORT

SPECIALIST SERVICES TO THE HORTICULTURAL AND FLORIST INDUSTRY TRADE

May 17, 2019

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

The fairer weather invites the public back outdoors, resulting in buyers easing their attentions away from all things floral. Wednesday sees the last flash of local Tulips, going out in a blaze of glory. With only limited volumes of Delphiniums appearing, admiring buyers chase prices higher and higher for all quality entries. Stocks and Sweet Williams are in full effect as the warmer temperatures bring in wave after wave. A smashing splash of Spray Roses are the stars of the imported show this weekend.

Description	Per:	Average	Best
Alstroemeria	Bunch	£0.60	£0.80
Bouquets	Bunch	£0.70 -	£1.00
Delphinium	Bunch	£1.20	£1.60
Hyacinth	Bunch	£0.40 -	£0.50
Spray Chrys (Dutch)	Bunch	£2.00 -	£2.40
Spray Rose	Bunch	£1.40 -	£1.80
Stocks	Bunch	£0.40 -	£1.00
Sweet Williams	Bunch	£0.40 -	£0.90
Tulips	Bunch	£0.50 -	£0.60

## POT & GARDEN PLANTS

There is hardly a spare square inch of room to stand this week as the auction halls are completely filled by trolley after trolley of plants. Monday begins the week slowly, as buyers continue to clear last week's backlog. Wednesday sees trade going up through the gears, with a huge influx of avid buyers looking to fill their vehicles. Although basket & bedding plants are still steady, prices increase and all quality entries clear daily. Zonal Geranium prices perk up as admiring buyers jostle to secure their favoured lots. A superb Hydrangea entry is gobbled up with aplomb by admiring bidders. New Guinea Impatiens continue to feature highly on buyers' wish lists.

Description	Per:	Average	Best
Basket Plants	9cm	£0.45 -	£0.85
Bedding (packs)	Plant	£0.10 -	£0.25
Cineraria Sinetti	13cm	£1.40 -	£1.70
Dahlia	13cm	£0.60 -	£0.90
Geranium Zonal	10cm	£0.70 -	£1.20
Gold Crest Wilma	1Ltr	£1.00 -	£1.30
Hanging Fuchsia	16"	£8.00 -	£11.00
Hydrangea	5L	£5.00 -	£6.00
Lavender	10cm	£1.00 -	£1.50
New Guinea Impatiens	13cm	£0.80 -	£1.20
Osteospermum	10cm	£0.70 -	£1.00
Rhododendron	7Ltr	£5.00 -	£8.00
Rosemary	13cm	£1.25 -	£1.50
Salix Nishiki	3ft	£5.50 -	£6.50

## FRUIT & VEGETABLES

The produce auction starts off on the back foot, with growers struggling to find any large amounts of produce to enter. Wednesday sees a change in fortune with more plentiful supplies on offer. Trade remains stronger on Thursday, with many lines clearing out daily, as buyers look to fulfil their wish lists. With reports of only limited Onions to be seen in the away markets, a couple of pallets on the midweek Wednesday auction, sees discerning greengrocers and market traders queuing up to bid in an attempt of securing at least a small offering to sell.

Description	Per:	Average	Best
Asparagus	225g	£0.90 -	£1.20
Cabbage - Duncan	16's	£3.00 -	£5.00
Cabbage - Dutch	10kg	£4.50 -	£5.00
Cabbage - Red	10kg	£4.00 -	£4.50
Cabbage - Tundra	6's	£2.50 -	£3.50
Carrots	Bunch	£0.80 -	£1.20
Cauliflower	6's	£2.00 -	£3.00
Leeks	4.5kg	£3.00 -	£3.50
New Potatoes	25kg	£25.00	£40.00
Onions 60/80	10kg	£2.80 -	£3.70
Potatoes	25kg	£4.00 -	£7.50
Red Onions	6kg	£2.50 -	£3.50
Rhubarb	1kg	£0.50 -	£0.80

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.

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