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## FERTILIZER CYCLE & CARE GUIDE

Simple steps for healthy , happy plants

### Chicory Rossa di Verona Plant



#### Category

🌿 Leafy Vegetable

#### Family

🌿 Brassicaceae

#### Common Name

🌿 Red Chicory  
🌿 Italian Radicchio

#### Vairty of colour



#### Description

🌿 Chicory Rossa di Verona is a famous Italian leafy vegetable that produces beautiful round heads with deep burgundy-red leaves and bright white veins.



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## Watering

💧 **Water only when the soil is dry.**

- Summer: Once every 7–10 days
- Winter: Once every 15–20 days
- Avoid overwatering

## Temperature

🌡️ **Best Temperature**

- 18°C to 28°C

**Can Tolerate**

- 10°C to 35°C

Protect from frost and freezing temperatures.

## Sunlight

☀️ **Loves bright light.**

**Ideal Light**

- 3-5 hours of morning sunlight
- Bright indirect light indoors

## Fertilizer

🌱 **Feed once every month during spring and summer.**

**Recommended Fertilizers**

- Succulent Fertilizer
- NPK 19:19:19 Liquid Fertilizer

## Soil

🌿 **Requires very well-draining succulent soil.**

**Simple Soil Mix**

- 40% River Sand or Perlite
- 40% Garden Soil
- 20% Cocopeat or Compost

## Sowing Information

**North India**

✅ September – December

**Maharashtra & Central India**

✅ September – November



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## Humidity

 Prefers low humidity.

Ideal Humidity

• 30%–50%

## Reproduction

- 1 Use fresh quality seeds.
- 2 Sow in trays or nursery beds.
- 3 Keep soil moist during germination.
- 4 Transplant healthy seedlings.
- 5 Provide support with stakes or cages.
- 6 Fruits mature in 70–90 days.

## Benefits

 Easy to propagate through leaves, offsets, and seeds.

Leaf Propagation

1. Gently remove a healthy leaf.
2. Allow it to dry for 1–2 days.

## Difficulty Level: Easy

-  Homes with sunny balconies
-  Outdoor gardens
-  Large decorative pots
-  Succulent collections
-  Commercial landscapes

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