

Using AGGRAND to Grow Garlic

Plant in the fall 4 to 6 weeks before the first HARD frost, in soil enriched with compost or organic matter.

Feed with AGGRAND 0-0-8 Kelp and Sulfate of Potash and 0-12-0 Natural Liquid Bonemeal at planting: 2 oz/gallon 0-0-8 and 5 oz/gallon 0-12-0. Repeat in early spring when greening begins.

Feed with 3 oz/gallon AGGRAND 4-3-3 Liquid Natural Fertilizer, and 2 oz/gallon 0-0-8 once every two weeks until flower stalks have uncurled.

Garlic tops, called scapes, are delicious when harvested when they have just curled. Remove the bud and chop into salads, and even blend into pesto. It is much milder than the garlic bulbs themselves. Harvesting the scapes can result in larger garlic bulbs later on.

Water garlic regularly – about one inch per week. Be sure to mulch, mulch, mulch to keep weed competition down.

Discontinue watering about two weeks before harvest and harvest when about 1/2 the leaves are brown or have died back. There should be 5 or 6 green leaves remaining to insure that there are enough papery bulb wrappers to protect the bulb in storage.

Dig up the bulbs carefully, loosening the soil under them with a garden fork, perhaps, and air dry in a cool, dry place on window screens, or tie two bulbs together by the stems and hang over the garage rafters.