

# Johnny's Cheddar F1 Cauliflower



Bright orange heads – this beautiful, early, orange cauliflower holds well in the field. It becomes an even brighter orange when lightly cooked. Cauliflower prefers a well-drained, fertile soil high in organic matter, a pH of 6.0–7.5 with a consistent supply of moisture throughout the growing season. Irrigate regularly for best results. Cauliflower does not do well in hot weather; the best success is with spring and fall crops.

Keep an eye on development, cutting heads when desired size is obtained but before the curds become loose, or "ricey." When small white heads become visible through leaves, gather the outer leaves over the head and tie with string or a large rubber band to preserve white curd color. Although tying is not necessary to grow cauliflower, the practice helps prevent yellowing of the curd due to exposure to sunlight and results in better head quality when curd develops during hot weather.