



What we think about the leaf span?

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Refer to our new pricing structure, many friends asked me why we focused on the ages of the plant after transplanting, but not simply to use the leaf span as a standard? (Based on our new pricing policy, the price per plant is different depends on how many months it grew in the same pot.)

To our understanding, the leaf span can be determined by:

1. Definitely the variety characteristics itself.
2. And the growing condition in terms of light intensity, fertilizer & irrigation.

(Lower light intensity, higher nitrogen and more frequent watering do speed up the growth of the leaf span in most cases.)



Which means, it would be wise not to judge the plant maturity by the leaf span only.

In our practices, the flowering quality may be poor if the plant itself did not fully matured before start cooling for spike. Even though the leaf span looked all right.

The criteria for us to initiate the spiking are:

1. The plant age, how many months after transplanting?
2. The plant vigor, if the roots and leaf thickness are OK?

To us, when you are facing hundreds of varieties, the leaf span could be a parameter for screening. While under the same condition, the matured plants with smaller leaf span ones could be an advantage considering the space utilization during the production & transportation.

