How We Market Our Bedding Plants®

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Our marketing activities are guided by the needs of our garden centre customers and those of the end consumer. Our aim is to provide a quality, colourful product, presented in an exciting and eye-catching way, adding to an enjoyable shopping experience for the consumer.

1) The Market and Product.

- We grow colourful plants for patios and gardens which are sold mainly through garden centres.
- Product mix.
- 2) Branding.
 - GARDEN FUN Colourful Patio and Garden Plants.
 - SITTIGS Colourful Bedding Plants.
 - FLOWERING FAVOURITES.

3) Delivery Service Includes.

- Delivery up to point of sale.
- Labeled plants with a bar code and price.
- Regular deliveries.

4) Packaging.

• All our plants are sold in packs or pots and labelled with the plant name and planting guidelines.

5) At Point of Sale.

- "Silent sales man" and banner.
- Show plants.

6) Guaranteed Sales and Merchandising Service.

- For selected customers only.
- A service fee is charged.
- We get an allocated area which we stock and merchandise.
- Unsold stock is returned and credited to the ex-nursery value.

7) Advertising and Promotions.

- It starts with the packaging.
- At point of sale.
- Garden centre's newsletters, promotions, and shows.
- Garden clubs.
- Gardening magazines.
- Website.
- Horticultural trade magazines.
- FLOWERING FAVOURITES.
- Sponsorships to the trade association South African Nursery Association.
- Truck signage.
- Staff uniforms.