

# Argana

High yielding consumption variety



## Variety description

New consumption variety from Danespo, which has shown an enormous yield potential in especially Southern Europe and North Africa. Further north it still provides a high yield, but with a higher tuber number per plant. Argana makes uniform round-oval tubers with yellow skin and light yellow flesh colour. Argana has good resistance to virus Y, and a very good resistance to late blight.

### Characteristics

- Usage: Consumption – organic
- Maturity: Medium-early
- Yield: Very high
- Foliage: Nice and covering
- Tuber size: Large
- Tuber shape: Round-oval
- Number of tubers: 10-15
- Skin: Yellow, smooth
- Flesh colour: Light yellow
- Cooking type: AB
- Dry matter content: Low to medium
- Dormancy period: Long
- Nematodes: Resistance; Ro1, 4
- Wart disease: Resistance; Wart 1
- Foliage blight: High resistance
- Tuber blight: High resistance
- Common scab: Medium resistance



## Growing advice

Argana needs time to adapt to the outside temperatures before planting, so it should not be planted directly from mechanical cooling storage.

Always plant in good weather and in good soil conditions. The soil temperature needs to be at least 8-10°C. Depending on the seed potato size, tubers should be planted at 10-16 cm's depth, bigger tubers should go deepest.

Only apply fertilizer one time, and preferably at planting. Furthermore ensure that the potassium level in the soil is high enough to avoid discoloration after cooking, but also to improve the storability.

Argana has a very good virus Y resistance, which makes it easy to handle in seed potato growing.

To keep the tubers suitable for consumption during the season, they should be kept in the dark to avoid greening.

Storage of seed potatoes: ≈ 4-6 °C

Storage of ware potatoes: ≈ 6-8 °C