

Ascott

Early high yielding crisp variety



Variety description

New robust crisp variety, which seems to do very well under hot conditions. Ascott has a round tuber shape, light yellow tuber colour and cream coloured flesh. The variety has a high dry matter content, and does very well in crisping industries. Ascott is quite early in the tuber setting, and can be used in early harvesting for crisping, under the right conditions.

Characteristics

- Usage: Crisps
- Maturity: Medium-early
- Yield: High
- Foliage: Tall, open and erect
- Tuber size: Medium - large
- Tuber shape: Round
- Number of tubers: 8-12
- Skin: Light yellow
- Flesh colour: Cream
- Cooking type: B
- Dry matter content: High
- Dormancy period: Medium
- Nematodes: Susceptible
- Wart disease: Susceptible
- Foliage blight: Medium resistance
- Tuber blight: Medium resistance
- Common scab: High resistance



Growing advice

Ascott needs time to adapt to the outside temperature before planting, so it should not be planted directly from mechanical cooling storage. When it has adjusted to the ambient temperature, it has a rather quick emergence.

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, they 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.

To keep the tubers suitable for consumption during the season, they should be kept in the dark to avoid greening. Keep above 8 degrees if the production is for the crisp industry to keep the good frying quality.

Storage of seed potatoes: ≈ 4-6 °C

Storage of crisps potatoes: ≈ 8 °C