

Balder

Early starch variety



STARCH



FLAKES



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Variety description

Fairly early new starch potato with nematode and pallida resistance. Balder provides a good yield of nice round tubers, which can be used for starch and flakes/granules.

Characteristics

- Usage: Starch & flakes
- Maturity: Medium-early
- Yield: Medium
- Foliage: Tall, open and erect
- Tuber size: Medium - large
- Tuber shape: Oval
- Number of tubers: 9-14
- Skin: Light yellow
- Skin texture: Smooth
- Flesh colour: Light yellow
- Cooking type: C
- Dry matter content: High
- Dormancy period: Medium
- Nematodes: Resistance; Ro1, Pa2, Pa3 (7)
- Wart disease: Susceptible
- Foliage blight: Medium resistance
- Tuber blight: Medium resistance
- Common scab: High resistance



Growing advice

Balder needs time to adjust to the outside temperature before planting, why it should be taken out from storage +/- 14 days before planting. Balder is rather quick in emergence, so be aware in the spring not to get it started too early. The soil temperature should at least be 8-10°C in 10cm depth before planting, to avoid bad emergence.

Always plant in good weather and in good soil conditions. The soil temperature needs to be at least 6-8°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.

Storage of seed potatoes: ≈ 4-6 °C

Storage of starch potatoes: ≈ 8 °C