

Cimega

Bulking variety for the fresh markets at the Mediterranean



Variety description

Cimega is THE new variety for the fresh market in Southern Europe, the Middle East and North Africa and also some parts of the middle/north of Europe where nice skin and light yellow flesh is favored. It is in all aspects an “improved Spunta” with better marketable yield, resistances and presentation.

Characteristics

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| • Usage: | Consumption |
| • Maturity: | Medium early |
| • Yield: | Very high |
| • Foliage: | Full covering with big leaves |
| • Tuber size: | Big |
| • Tuber shape: | Oval |
| • Number of tubers: | 14-16 |
| • Skin: | Yellow, smooth |
| • Flesh colour: | Light yellow |
| • Cooking type: | AB-B |
| • Dry matter content: | Medium |
| • Dormancy period: | Medium to long |
| • Nematodes: | Resistance; Ro1, 4 |
| • Wart disease: | Resistance; Type 1 |
| • Foliage blight: | Medium resistance |
| • Tuber blight: | High resistance |
| • Common scab: | High resistance |
| • Virus Y | High resistance |



Growing advice

Make sure to take Cimega out of storage in due time before planting, so the tubers have a chance to adjust to the ambient temperature, and also to “wake the tubers up” and get the sprouting process started.

Planting should not be done at soil temperatures below 10°C, and the soil needs to be well prepared to give the tubers the best growing conditions. Depending on the seed potato size, the tubers must be planted in a depth of 12-18 cm from the top of the ridge - the biggest tubers must 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.

Good storability during the season. Keep the potatoes in the dark to avoid greening.

Storage of seed potatoes: ≈ 4-6 °C

Storage of ware potatoes: ≈ 6-8 °C