

Romantica

Beautiful double-layered red skin and a high yield



Variety description

Romantica is a new red consumption variety from Danespo, which provides large long-oval tubers with a smooth double-layered skin and good yield. The variety has medium dry matter content, depending on the conditions and geographical area. The main production markets are Southern Europe, Eastern Europe and North Africa, where Romantica is suitable for ware production because of the good cooking qualities, but also for homemade fries. Romantica can also be used in more northern areas for consumption, where red skin and yellow flesh is demanded.

Characteristics

- Usage: Consumption & home frying
- Maturity: Medium
- Yield: High
- Foliage: Nice and covering
- Tuber size: Large
- Tuber shape: Long-oval
- Number of tubers: 7-12
- Skin: Red, smooth
- Flesh colour: Light yellow
- Cooking type: B
- Dry matter content: Medium
- Dormancy period: Medium to long
- Nematodes: Resistance; Ro1
- Wart disease: Susceptible
- Foliage blight: Medium resistance
- Tuber blight: Medium resistance
- Common scab: High resistance



Growing advice

Romantica needs time to adapt to the outside temperature, so it should not be planted directly from mechanical cooling storage, but only after it has settled with the outside temperature.

Romantica is slow in emergence, which is why a heat chock before planting could be a good solution to get it started in the spring – be cautious not to do so before a rain period though.

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

Only apply nutrition one time, and preferably at planting. Furthermore make sure 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 ware potatoes: ≈ 6-8 °C