

## **POTATO VARIETIES**



	NAME	MATURITY	SHAPE	SKIN	FLESH	FLOWER	GENERAL
EARLY HARVEST	Arran Banner	Approx 70-80 days	Oval Round	Pale Yellow	White	Rare	Excellent for boiling and roasting.
	Cliff Kidney	Approx 80-90 days	Kidney	White	White	Rare	Waxy potato, good for boiling, salads, casseroles and soups, with excellent flavour.
	Jersey Bennes	Approx 80-90 days	Oval	White	White	Rare	Waxy potato, good for boiling, salads, casseroles and soups.
	Liseta	Approx 70-80 days	Long Oval	White	Cream	Rare	Firm cooking waxy potato, ideal for boiling, salads, casseroles, soups and roasting. High yielder.
	Maris Anchor	Approx 90-100 days	Oval	White	White	Rare	Excellent as an early boiling potato, also suitable for roasting.
	Rocket	Approx 60-70 days	Oval	White	White	Light	Great boiling and roasting potato.
	Swift	Approx 60-70 days	Round	White	Cream	Rare	Waxy potato ideal for boiling, salads, casseroles, and soups. High yielder.
ST	Haylo	Approx 80-90 days	Round Oval	Smooth White	Golden Smooth	Light	Great all round potato. Excellent for boiling, roasting, wedges and chips with great flavour.
	Heather	Approx 80-90 days	Long Oval	Purple Blue	White	Many	Waxy potato, ideal for boiling, salads, casseroles, mashing and roasting, with excellent flavour.
RVE	Highlander	Approx 80-90 days	Oval	White	White	Rare	Waxy potato. Great for boiling, salads, casseroles and soups. Lovely tasting and high yielder.
EARLY / MAIN HA	llam Hardy	Approx 70-80 days	Oval Round	White	White	Many	Floury potato, ideal for mashing, baking, roasting, chips and wedges.
	Karaka	Approx 80-90 days	Oval	White	White	Many	Great all round cooking potato excellent flavour. High yielder.
	Nadine	Approx 80-90 days	Round	White	White	Rare	Waxy potato, good for boiling, salads, casseroles, soups.
	Purple Heart	Approx 80-90 days	Oval	Deep Purple & Smooth	Purple Toned	Many	Great for salads, boiling and microwaving. Strong in antioxidants benefits.
	Purple Passion	Approx 70-80 days	Oval Long	Purple	Cream to Pale Yellow	Many	Excellent cooking qualities, great for boiling and chipping. Holds firm on cooking.
	Red Fantasy	Approx 90-100 days	Oval to Long Oval	Smooth Red	Deep Yellow	Rare	Great for roasting and boiling. High yielder.
MAIN HARVEST	Agria	Approx 90-100 days	Long Oval	Cream	Yellow	Many	Floury potato, suitable for boiling, mashing, baking, wedges, and great for chips. High yielder.
	Desiree	Approx 90-100 days	Round	Pink	Cream	Many	Good for all general cooking, great to microwave.
	Moonlight	Approx 90-100 days	Round Oval	White	White	Many	Good all purpose, cooks well as a boiling and chipping potato. High yielder.
	Red King	Approx 100- 120 days	Oval	Red	White	Rare	Good all round cooking potato, with excellent flavour.
	Red Rascal	Approx 90-100 days	Oval	Very Red	White	Many	Floury potato that is good for all purpose cooking.
	Rua	Approx 100 days	Round to Oval	White	White	Many	Good all rounder for roasting and boiling.
	Van Rosa	Approx 90-100 days	Round	Very Red	White	Many	Good all purpose potato great for boiling and roasting.





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**TOP TIP** 

**Use our HIGH GRADE** 

POTATO FERTILISER

an all round balanced

After purchasing your Certified Seed Potatoes, spread them out in a dry area to allow sprouts to develop to approximately 1-2cm in length.

When planting time commences form rows approximately 15cm deep and 60cm apart. Apply Morton Smith-Dawe High Grade Potato Fertiliser, mix into the soil so the rows become 10cm deep. This protects Potato sprouts from fertiliser burning.

Now place your Seed Potatoes 25cm apart in the row with the sprouts pointing upwards and cover the seed carefully with soil as not to damage the formed sprouts.

When the Potato plants reach 5-10cm in height, commence moulding the soil around the plants. This protects the Potatoes from greening and insect damage. A side dressing of Morton Smith-Dawe High Grade Potato Fertiliser can now be applied.

Water regularly ensuring the soil is kept moist and

Soil pH ideally should be maintained in the range of 5.4 - 5.8. While potatoes will thrive at soil pH levels of 6.0, a lower pH is normally recommended to suppress development of potato scab.

> When harvested store Potatoes in a cool dark place to retain their freshness. Morton Smith-Dawe Sprout Inhibitor can be applied if the Potatoes are to be stored for a length of time but only after the Potatoes are dry and mature.

feed during the Green crops are a wonderful way growing season to add natural organic matter to your soil in late Summer/Autumn as a winter crop. Blue Lupins add nitrogen to the soil and Mustard helps prevent wire worm.

Green Crops are also a great weed suppressant.

Morton Smith-Dawe has formulated a special mix of Blue Lupin, Mustard and Grain to provide a balanced green crop, as it covers all your garden needs.



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