





Production advice ware potatoes The Netherlands

- First early, dark yellow flesh
- Uniform tuber size and shape
- Good bruising tolerance
- Suitable to make (home) fries
- High resistance to TRV



Agronomic characters

Maturity81 EarlyDormancy60 MediumYield mature95 GoodTuber size81 Large

Tuber shape Round oval / Oval

Number of tubers 9-11
Skin colour Yellow
Flesh after cooking Yellow

Cooking type
Dry matter content/Starch
UWW/Specific gravity
Internal bruising
Metribuzin sensitivity

B - Slightly mealy
18,4% / 12,6%
333 / 1,071
3 Not sensitive

72

Wart disease F1 *1

F2 *1 F6 *1

F18 *1

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Skin and flesh colour



Cooking type Maturity

Plant populations

Market: 40-65 mm.

	Row distance		
Seed size	Plant population/ha	75 cm	90 cm
28/35	65.000	21	17
35/45	52.000	26	21
45/55	40.000	33	28
50/60	64.000	21	17

Plant depth: normal.

Always check the tuber count for an accurate

calculation.

Resistances

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Little Potato disorder

Foliage Blight Tuber Blight Alternaria Common scab Powdery scab Spraing	32 • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
	95
PVY	46
Yntn tuber tolerance	99 • • • •

PON Resistance				
Ro1/4	9	••••		
Ro2/3	*5			
Ro5	*3	• • • • •		
Pa2				
Pa3				

^{*} HZPC own analysis/no official analysis

Fertilizer

- Adapt fertilization to soil analysis.
- Apply nitrogen all at once.
- Nitrogen (N): 110% in comparison to other early varieties.
- Phosphate (P) and Potassium (K): according to standard advice.

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Pre-treatment and planting

- SUNITA has a good dormancy.
- A heat treatment is preferred to break the dormancy.
- Do not store the seed potatoes lower than 5°C. Warm them up sufficiently before planting.
- SUNITA can be grown on all soil types.



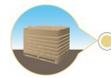
Growing attention points

- Emergence is somewhat slow, later on foliage develops well.
- The use of metribuzin is recommended before emergence. When applying post emergence, use the low dose system.
- Weather conditions have a strong influence on metribuzin effectivity, adapt dose to the circumstances.
- Irrigation can substantially increase the tuber number.
- Too much irrigation late in the season increases the dominance of lenticels.
- Excessive nitrogen will increase the risk of late blight.
- Use a robust Phytophthora programme, to prevent foliage blight.



Haulm killing and harvest

- Aim for a dry matter content of 18 %.
- Tuber growth can be very fast at the end of the cycle, check regularly.
- SUNITA can be harvested after 75-90 days.
- Harvest preferably when soil temperature is below 25°C to avoid high risk of rot.
- When temperatures are above 25°C; harvest early in the morning / by night is prefered.



Storage

- SUNITA is an early variety and therefore sales are normally within 2 months after harvest.
- A crop harvested under good conditions can be cooled rapidly after first curing.
- SUNITA has a good dormancy, therefore ambient storage can be used for the first months after harvest.
- REFRIGERATED STORAGE
- Prevent dehydration, cool with a small difference between cooling air and product temperature.
- Reduce temperature 0,5 0,7 degrees a day, not lower than 4°C store temperature.
- Ventilate regularly, but briefly, to prevent CO2 accumulation.
- Any fluctuation in temperature, combined with condensation, can result in early sprouting and a high risk of Silver scurf.