CULTIVATION RECOMMENDATION

Spunta.

Early maincrop ware potato variety with good heat tolerance and producing high yields.

- **Large tubers**
- **Good drought tolerance**
- **High dry matter content**

Traditional



characteristics

General characteristics

Breeder: J. Oldenburger
Crossing: BEA x USDA 96-56
Breedersright: Expired
Seedling: Oldenburger 57-88

Plant and tuber characteristics

Maturity: early maincrop / 6
Light sprout colour: blue violet / BV
Flower colour: white / W
Number of berries: below average / 6,5
Foliage - initial development: fast / 8
Foliage - final development: good / 8
Foliage - firmness: quite firm / 7,5
Skin colour: yellow / Y
Flesh colour: light yellow / 6
Skin finish: average / 6
Tuber shape: long / L
Regularity of tuber shape: quite regular / 6
Tuberisation: average / 6
Tuber size: large / 8
Regularity of size: regular / 7
Dormancy: average / 6

Sensitivity and quality

Secondary growth: quite sensitive / 6
Black spot (internal bruising): slightly sensitive / 7
Growth cracks: slightly sensitive / 7
Harvest damage: very sensitive / 4
Metribuzin - pre-emergence: slightly to not sensitive / 8
Metribuzin - post-emergence: slightly to not sensitive / 8
Ethylene: - / -
Underwater weight: 387
Dry matter content: 21%
Cooking type: floury / BC
Discolouration (after cooking): quite sensitive / 6,5
Raw discolouration: - / -
Fries quality: average / 6
Dry matter distribution: - / -
Crisping quality: below average / 5,5
TGA-level: -

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How to grow

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Fertilization [1]

Nitrogen: standard advice - 10%.
Phosphate: standard advice.
Potassium: standard advice + 10%.

Seed treatment

Proper pre-sprouting after taking off the top sprout can give a positive result on the tuber set.Desprouting more than once can have a negative impact on yield and size regularity.

Planting distance

28/35 mm: 27 cm (50.000 plants/ha)
35/55 mm: 33 cm (40.000 plants/ha)

Weeds

A standard use of metribuzin (Sencor), before or after emerge, doesn't give foliage reaction or yield reduction.

Fungicides

A preventive spraying schedule against late blight is advised.

Harvest

Due to its sensitivity scores for black spot and/or harvest damage, wait at least three weeks after haulm killing before harvest.

Storage - .

Preferred storage temperature is 5 ºC. Suitable for medium term storage.

[1] Level of fertilization is based on soil analysis.



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Resistances

Virus - Leaf roll: slightly susceptible / 6
Virus - Yn: slightly susceptible / 6
Virus - Yntn (tuber): slightly susceptible / 6
Spraing: slightly susceptible / 6
Late blight - foliage: susceptible / 5,5
Late blight - tuber: susceptible / 5
Fusarium: susceptible / 5,5
Common scab: susceptible / 5

Powdery scab: susceptible / 5
Black dot: - / -
Wart disease F1: resistant / 10
Wart disease F6: - / -
Wart disease F18: - / -
Golden nematode Ro 1/4: - / -
Golden nematode Ro 2/3: - / -
White nematode Pa 2: susceptible / 2
White nematode Pa 3: susceptible / 2

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