

Aubergine assortment



Aubergines can be grown all year round. Rijk Zwaan offers a broad range of productive oval, round and cylindrical varieties, all with an excellent shelf life, plus a number of specialities: striped with very tasty white flesh, for example, and the purple round one. Our aubergines have a dark purple colour and a calyx that retains its nice green colour after harvesting. We also strive for perfect internal and external quality to optimise consumer satisfaction. Shelf life is a particular strength of our aubergines. The purple round is aimed at food-lovers. This 'Italian delight' is highly attractive thanks to the colour contrast between skin and calyx, with a flavoursome flesh and a soft melt-in-the-mouth texture. Furthermore its rounded shape makes it ideal for baking or frying.

Legend

-  Organic
-  Non Chemical Treated
-  Greenhouse
-  Tunnel
-  Outdoor
-  Industry
-  Sensational Flavour line

Climate conditions

- N North; temperate climate
- S South; warm climate

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Variety name	Product description	USPs	Growing period / climate conditions
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Long/cylindrical, black

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Brigitte RZ F1	Ideal for winter cultivation A long cylindrical aubergine variety with strong winter production; it maintains continuous setting even in cold conditions. This variety produces a high yield of fruits with good fruit quality and a green, spineless calyx. Very suitable for winter cultivation in greenhouses.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good winter production • Constant setting in cold conditions • High yield • Strong fruit quality 	S S
Nilo RZ F1	High performer for processing Thanks to its long fruits that contain almost no seeds, especially in the summer, a popular aubergine variety for industrial processing. The vigorous plants are fairly open and generate a high yield. This variety is suitable for early spring cultivation in tunnels as well as for open-field cultivation. It also performs well in winter.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High yield • Rusticity • Open-field cultivation • Suitable for industrial processing 	S S S S N N N N

Oval, black

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Beyonce RZ F1	Large dark fruits This variety produces a very high yield of large, oval black aubergines. Even the fruits on the side shoots are large. The long and slender fruits grow very fast and are dark purple and shiny, even in summer. The short, open crop type is labour-friendly. A productive variety for greenhouse production.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Labour-friendly • Dark shiny skin all season long • Large fruits • Very high yield 	S S S S N N N N
Jaylo RZ F1	Early and productive An early and productive oval black aubergine variety. The fruits have a consistently high quality and are uniform, with a smooth calyx. They are suitable for many segments, but are an especially good fit with the larger-sized segment. A strong crop. This variety is well adapted for heated cultivation in greenhouses.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early crop • High-quality fruits • Spineless calyx • Strong plants 	N N
Kesia RZ F1	Sustainable hairless variety with appealing greener calyx The first variety of our CleanLeaf concept. Suitable for biological cultivation and has a beautiful darker colour compared to the conventional variety. Improves the working conditions in greenhouses as the aubergine plants, the fruits and its calyx are hairless. Not only is its calyx hairless, which also makes biological control very effective, it is also greener which makes it more appealing. Plant shows good behaviour in cold with fruit quality and yield.	CleanLeaf <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improves Integrated Pest Management • Cleaner & appealing fruits • Better working conditions 	S S
Kylie RZ F1	Maintains dark colour even in summer This oval black aubergine is a good choice for greenhouse production. Highly productive and suitable for both the large and the fine segments. The fruits grow very fast and this variety also produces fruits on the side shoots easily. The crop is quite strong and relatively short with large leaves. The plants are comparatively easy to balance. Setting is very strong under all circumstances and the fruit colour remains dark black, even in hot conditions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consistent black colour, even in summer • Strong setting all season long • Very high yield • Suitable for lower-height greenhouses 	N N
Leticia RZ F1	Shiny, vigorous and early aubergine With its shiny colour, this variety is an absolute eye-catcher all season. It is vigorous, early and has an improved cold tolerance. A strong plant type with high-quality fruits and also has a great shelf life. Its regular fruit set, earliness, no spines and the high fruit uniformity, makes it a good variety.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent shelf life • Early variety • Improved cold tolerance 	S S S S
Monarca RZ F1	Very productive This variety produces oval, black aubergines with excellent uniformity in terms of fruit shape and size. Is very productive thanks to the tall, open and vigorous plant type, and it is also strong against Botrytis. Flourishes in both tunnels and greenhouses and is particularly suitable for spring and winter cultivation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High yield • Less sensitive to Botrytis on flowers • Uniform shape and size 	S N N
Thelma RZ F1	Ideal for export This variety produces top-quality, heavy fruits with an outstanding shelf life. As a result, it is perfect for long-distance transportation and export. The plant is compact and open and there is little side shooting, making this a labour-friendly aubergine variety. The colour and quality of the fruits remain consistently good during the winter. Suitable for cultivation in greenhouses and tunnels.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intense red • Round lobes • Vigorous 	S S S S
Tracey RZ F1	Large number of fruits A very productive variety thanks to the high fruit load in terms of pieces. This variety produces very uniform oval, black aubergines with good firmness and a long shelf life. The fruits have a relatively small calyx. The plant has strong vigour and easy fruit setting on the side shoots. Suitable for heated cultivation.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High yield in pieces and weight • Firm fruits with a long shelf life • Uniform fruits • Small calyx 	N N

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		Oval, striped	Round, black	Round, purple					
					spring	summer	autumn	winter	
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Oval, striped									
NCT Angela RZ F1	Sensational Flavours aubergine This variety is part of Rijk Zwaan's Sensational Flavours line because its white fruit flesh has a delicious hint of sweetness. Moreover, this variety absorbs significantly less oil during cooking and grilling. It has an outstanding shelf life and is the first oval, striped aubergine variety with good winter production. It is suitable for many growing conditions, both in greenhouses and plastic tunnels.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good winter production • Excellent fruit quality • Very good shelf life • Less oil absorption during cooking 			S	N	S	S	  
NCT Leire RZ F1	Best choice for open-field production The vigorous, rather tall plants ensure a high yield in open-field cultivation. This aubergine variety maintains good setting and fruit quality under warm conditions. The oval, striped fruit has an almost spineless calyx.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good setting under warm conditions • Consistent fruit quality in summer • High production and quality in open-field cultivation 			S	S	S	S	
NCT Lydia RZ F1	Strong performer in cold conditions This variety produces oval, striped aubergines with an attractive shine and hardly any spines. The plants are rather vigorous and this variety has good resistance to Verticillium. It performs very well in open-field cultivation. The colour remains good during cold periods and the setting continues well in winter, which also makes this a good choice for protected winter production in plastic greenhouses.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good fruit setting in winter • Stable colour throughout the cycle • Strong, vigorous plant 						S	 
Round, black									
NCT Cheryl RZ F1	Adapted for open-field cultivation With its medium-short, medium-closed plants, it is a well-adapted aubergine variety for open-field cultivation. The shiny oval/round black fruits, with their large, strong and spineless calyx, are popular with growers and consumers alike. Other advantages of this aubergine variety include its firmness and good shelf life.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Labour-friendly • Dark shiny skin all season long • Large fruits • Very high yield 			S	S			
NCT Fantastic RZ F1	High yield and long shelf life A round black aubergine variety that produces medium-sized fruits with a good colour. The fruit quality is also high, resulting in a long shelf life. Because the fruits grow fast and fill out quickly, it is a very high-yielding variety. It is suitable for spring cultivation in greenhouses and tunnels. Performs well in winter in protected conditions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High fruit quality • Long shelf life • High yield 			S	S	S	S	 
Round, purple									
NCT Sabelle RZ F1	The 'gourmet' aubergine A traditional Italian aubergine with an attractive appearance that is popular with consumers. The dark purple, slightly ribbed, round fruits have a contrasting white shadow under the purple, almost spineless calyx. As a variety in the Sensational Flavours line, the flesh is very tasty and stays firm and white during grilling. The plants are early and generative.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early in production • Generative crop • Almost spineless calyx • Sensational Flavours line • Attractive shape and colour 			S	S	S		  