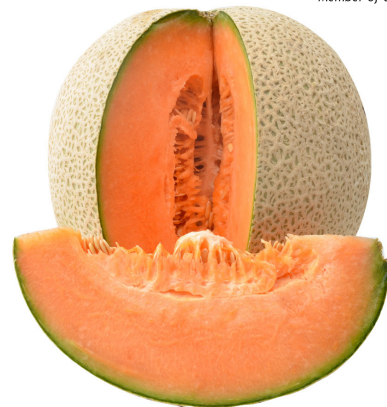


MELON GATSBY

AN EARLY TO LATE CANTALOUPE WITH EXTENDED SHELF LIFE, AND IMPROVED FLESH COLOUR & TASTE

- Extended shelf life
- High brix, excellent flavour and eating quality
- Attractive round fruit with a well-developed net
- Firm Salmon-orange flesh, attractive when used for fresh-cut



Type:

A hybrid cantaloupe melon. Eastern Shipper external appearance and Western Shipper internal qualities, referred to as extended shelf life.

Maturity:

Main season 90 - 95 days.

Plant Characteristics:

A vigorous plant with a healthy leaf cover that protects maturing fruits well against sunburn. Flowers and sets fruit over a prolonged period to give high yield.

Fruit Characteristics:

Harvest indicators include net development, the change of the rind colour from olive green to beige, and cracking around the peduncle. Large sized fruit with weight of 1.8 – 3.0 kg. The shape is round to slightly oval with a medium to dense net. GATSBY has salmon-orange flesh colour, firm flesh texture with a medium seed cavity and a thin green rind, ensuring a high recovery rate.

Disease Resistance:

HR: Fusarium (Fom) 0, 2
IR: Powdery Mildew (Px) 1, 2

Adaption:

GATSBY is a widely adaptable and performs well in spring and summer plantings. It can also perform well during the winter in warm climates.

Yield Potential:

Very high yield potential.

Features & Benefits:

Very high yielding, with very uniform fruit shape and large fruit size. Attractive salmon-orange flesh colour with firm flesh, improved shelf life and high brix.

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Resistance: is the ability of a plant variety to restrict the growth and development of a specified pest or pathogen and/or the damage they cause when compared to susceptible plant varieties under similar environmental conditions and pest or pathogen pressure. Resistant varieties may exhibit some disease symptoms or damage under heavy pest or pathogen pressure (HR = High resistance, IR = Intermediate resistance).

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