

MELON

SWEET PERIDOT



A HYBRID HONEYDEW MELON WITH IMPROVED APPEARANCE AND EXCELLENT TASTE

- Large to medium, round fruit with very smooth, off-white skin
- Pale green flesh colour, suitable for fresh-cut and whole fruit
- Very aromatic, firm flesh with high brix
- Fusarium and Powdery Mildew resistance

Type

A hybrid honeydew melon.

Maturity

Main season 70 - 80 days.

Plant Characteristics

A vigorous plant with a healthy leaf cover that protects the fruit against sunburn. Uniform fruit set makes harvesting easier. **Fruit Characteristics:** Harvest indicators include a change in rind colour from light green to off-white, and the absence of visible greening on the flower-end of the fruit. Medium to Large, round fruit with weight of 1.8 – 2.8 kg. SWEET PERIDOT has light green to pale green flesh colour, with excellent flavour and brix development.

Variety Characteristics

Climate: Optimum germination temperature: 25°C to 28°C, night temperature not lower than 18°C. Optimum growth temperatures at night are 18 - 20°C, and day 24 - 30°C, and for ripening 15 - 25°C.

Plant Spacing: 8,000 to 16,000 plants per ha.

Adaption: SWEET PERIDOT is recommended for early, mid and late season production in the Northern and Southern growing areas.

Yield Potential: Very high yield potential.

Features & Benefits

SWEET PERIDOT has very smooth, large to medium, off-white fruit with light green to mid-green flesh. Plants have high tolerance to Sulphur burn. The fruit has excellent flavour and brix development, and is suitable for the fresh-cut and whole fruit markets.

Disease Resistance:

HR: Fusarium wilt (Fom: 0, 2)

IR: Powdery Mildew

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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).