

Invitation

swede



High yielding, purple skinned swede, with resistance to clubroot and powdery mildew. Suitable for post-Christmas utilisation.

Breeder: SCRI

This variety was added to the UK National List in 1995 and is protected by Plant Breeders' Rights.

Agent: Limagrain UK Limited (LG).

Breeding:

- Production of synthetic *Brassica napus* with clubroot resistance from stubble turnip.
- Four backcrosses to swede cultivars with selection for clubroot resistance.
- Pedigree inbreeding with selection for yield and resistance to clubroot and powdery mildew.
- Multiplication of F₅ family to produce uniform inbred-line cultivar.

Description:

- High dry matter, winter hardy swede.
- Purple skin, yellow flesh and uniform globe shape.

Cattle and Sheep:

- High yields of fresh food throughout autumn and winter from May/June sowing.
- Ideal from December to April as winter hardy.
- Graze in situ by sheep with electric fence to reduce wastage.
- Large leaves mean extra grazing potential.
- Lift, store and feed (ideally chopped) to beef cattle.

Culinary use:

- After Christmas as winter hardy.
- Recommend sowing Grade H seed with precision drill.
- Recommend covering with fleece or Wondermesh to control root flies.