

RHS AWARD OF GARDEN MERIT

Carrots 2011



The AGM criteria

Intended as a practical guide for the gardener, the AGM is awarded only to plants that are:

- excellent for ordinary use in appropriate conditions
- available in the trade
- of good constitution
- essentially stable in form and colour
- reasonably resistant to pests and diseases

AGM hardiness ratings

Each award includes a hardiness rating, which is an integral part of the AGM, and should be included in any citation of the award:

H1 requires heated glass

H2 requires unheated glass

H3 hardy outside in some regions; needs frost-free protection in winter

H4 hardy throughout British Isles

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Descriptions

All descriptions have been drawn up by members of the RHS Fruit, Vegetable and Herb Committee, for the most part after trial.

CARROT (*Daucus carota*)

99 'Adelaide' (H3)

~ F1 hybrid; very early. Good weight and colour; sweet-flavoured; quickly forms very smooth, stump-ended roots; almost coreless; fine tops. Reconfirmed after trial 2006 and 2010 as early, suitable for containers

06 'Amsterdam Forcing 3' (H3)

~ open-pollinated. Relatively smooth with good flesh and core colour; bulks up well. Strong foliage that does not grow too tall

95 'Autumn King 2' (H3)

~ maincrop. Large, tapering stump roots; strong tops; bold shoulders. Ideal for storing

93 'Bangor' (H3)

~ F1 hybrid. Blunt, medium-length, smooth roots. Well-filled; good uniform shape; medium-orange internal colour. Bulks up well. Can be stored over winter; reconfirmed after trial 2005

95 'Barcelona' (H3)

~ F1 hybrid; maincrop. Long, smooth, cylindrical, deep orange roots. Strong healthy tops; shows mildew tolerance. Ideal for winter storage

95 'Berjo' (H3)

~ maincrop. Heavy yields of smooth cylindrical roots with bright orange flesh. Suitable for storing

95 'Bertan' (H3)

~ F1 hybrid; maincrop. Very sweet orange-fleshed cylindrical roots that resist splitting. Ideal for storing

93 'Bolero' ^(PBR) (H3)

~ F1 hybrid. Later-maturing maincrop; long, slender, cylindrical roots of good uniformity and colour; can be stored from later sowings

93 'Camberley' (H3)

~ maincrop. Long roots with deep orange flesh

95 'Camden' (H3)

~ F1 hybrid. Maincrop maturity. Large bold roots with deep orange flesh. An excellent storing variety

93 'Campestra' (H3)

~ open-pollinated. Best lifted before Christmas. Medium to long, cylindrical, blunt, smooth roots with uniform deep orange internal colour; well-filled. Bulks up well. Reconfirmed after trial 2005

05 'Carson' (H4)

~ F1 hybrid; 'Chantenay' type. Medium to short, conical, smooth, uniform roots with good internal colour. Strong growing tops; bulks up well. Characteristic good 'Chantenay' flavour. Its short roots makes it useful for heavy, difficult soils

93 'Cleopatra' (H3)

~ F1 'Autumn King' hybrid. Heavy, smooth, long, well-coloured roots of good flavour. Excellent storage variety

05 'Eskimo' (H4)

~ F1 hybrid; medium-length, smooth roots with good colour. Useful size, well-filled. Grows with crowns at or below ground level, so very little crown discoloration. Good overwintering cultivar

94 'Evora' (H3)

~ F1 hybrid; a long, slender-rooted hybrid, excellent as a bunching carrot. Ideal for successional sowings and for early sowing in frames

99 'Flyaway' (H3)

~ F1 hybrid. Maincrop; medium-length, well-filled, stump-ended roots with good flesh and core colour. Good strong tops. Partial resistance (i.e. lack of attraction) to carrot flies. Reconfirmed after trial 2006

06 'Ideal' (H3)

~ open-pollinated. 'Nantes' type; uniform crop of fairly smooth, medium length, well-filled roots with good flesh and core colour. Strong top growth

05 'Indiana' (H4)

~ F1 hybrid. 'Imperator' type. Very long, slim, pointed root with good internal colour and no green shoulders. Vigorous top growth. Suited to deep, light soils

93 'Ingot' (H3)

~ F1 hybrid. Maincrop; almost

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- coreless, long, cylindrical roots; sweet deep orange flesh with claimed high vitamin 'C' content
- 95 **'Kamaran'** (H3)
~ F1 'Autumn King' hybrid. Best lifted before Christmas. Uniform, blunt-rooted, medium to long with smooth skins. Good internal colour. Well-filled; bulks well. Reconfirmed after trial 2005
- 95 **'Kazan'** (H3)
~ F1 'Autumn King' hybrid for later sowing for winter storage. Very good colour and flavour for a late carrot. Strong tops. Heavy yields
- 95 **'Kingston'** (H3)
~ F1 'Autumn King' hybrid for later sowing for winter storage. One of the best for colour, taste, yield and uniformity. Strong tops
- 99 **'Maestro'** ^(PBR) (H3)
~ F1 hybrid. Best lifted before Christmas. Blunt, smooth-skinned, medium to slim, fairly well-filled roots, uniform in size and shape. Mid to pale internal colour with some green shoulders. Widely grown by organic carrot growers. Reconfirmed after trial 2005
- 10 **'Marion'** (H3)
~ early to mature; uniform crop of slightly tapered roots with good weight. Smooth skin, deep orange flesh and good core colour. Suitable for containers
- 93 **'Mokum'** (H3)
~ F1 hybrid. Early to mature, good weight and sweet flavour. Slightly tapering roots, well-coloured to the tip; smooth skin; almost coreless. Good for bunching. Reconfirmed after trial 2010 as early, suitable for containers
- 99 **'Nairobi'** (H3)
~ F1 hybrid, very early maturing. Slightly tapering; good weight. Smooth skin, core and flesh deep orange. Strong tops for easy pulling; quick to bulk up. Ideal for successional sowings and early sowing in frames. Reconfirmed after trial 2010 as early, suitable for containers
- 93 **'Nantucket'** (H3)
~ F1 hybrid; early-maturing maincrop. Smooth, deep orange, blunt-ended, good quality roots. Ideal for successional sowings and early sowing in frames. Reconfirmed after trial 1999
- 93 **'Napoli'** (H3)
~ F1 hybrid, very early maturing. Strong tops for easy pulling; quick to bulk up. Ideal for successional sowings and early sowing in frames
- 94 **'Natan'** (H3)
~ F1 hybrid; early-maturing. Strong tops for easy pulling; quick to bulk up. Ideal for successional sowings or early sowing in frames
- 93 **'Newmarket'** (H3)
~ maincrop; longer-rooted F1 hybrid. Heavy yields of broader-shouldered, smooth, tapering roots of sweet taste and good colour
- 93 **'Panther'** (H3)
~ F1 hybrid; early-maturing. Smooth, cylindrical, stump-ended, coreless roots. Ideal for successional sowings or early sowing in frames
- 93 **'Parabell'** (H3)
~ early-maturing, round-rooted, smooth 'Paris Market' type of good flavour. Ideal for successional sowings and early sowing in frames. Reconfirmed after trial 1999
- 93 **'Parano'** (H3)
~ F1 hybrid. Smooth-skinned, cylindrical, almost coreless, blunt-ended roots with good flesh and core colour. Ideal for successional sowings and early sowing in frames. Reconfirmed after trial 2006 and 2010 as early, suitable for containers
- 93 **'Parmex'** (H3)
~ hybrid. Early-maturing, round-rooted 'Paris Market' type; smooth roots with high crown, good colour and good flavour. Particular suitable for successional sowing from mid May and pulling young. Matures in 10-12 weeks. Reconfirmed after trial 2006 and 2010 as early, suitable for containers
- 06 **'Primo'** (H3)
~ hybrid; flavoursome crop of good weight. Smooth skin, deep orange colour, with low core:flesh ratio. Reconfirmed after trial 2010 as early, suitable for containers
- 05 **'Sugarsnax 54'** (H4)
~ F1 hybrid. Very long, smooth, 'Imperator' type with roots of good internal colour. Suited to deep, light soils. Commercially used, cut into short lengths and sold as pre-packed "baton" carrots
- 05 **'Sweet Candle'** (H4)
~ F1; short, blunt, quite smooth, well filled, uniform roots. Good internal colour
- 94 **'Sytan'** (H3)
~ maincrop; smooth, broader-shouldered, tapering roots of good colour and sweet taste; shows partial resistance (i.e. lack of attraction) to carrot fly. Reconfirmed after trial 1999
- 99 **'Tempo'** (H3)
~ F1 hybrid. Smooth, medium-length stump-ended roots of good colour and taste; quick to bulk up. Ideal for successional sowings and early sowing in frames
- 06 **'Trevor'** (H3)
~ hybrid. Even, smooth crop of stump-ended roots, with good weight. Good colour and flavour. Slight greening at shoulders. Reconfirmed after trial 2010 as early, suitable for containers
- 06 **'Valor'** (H3)
~ hybrid; early 'Nantes' type. Smooth, blunt roots of good length with good flesh and core colour. Bulks well. Has strong tops
- 99 **'Yukon'** (H3)
~ F1 hybrid; early to mature; good weight of tapering, blunt-ended roots. Smooth skin; good, deep orange flesh and core colour. Sweetly flavoured. Ideal for successional sowings and early sowing in frames. Reconfirmed after trial 2006 and 2010 as early, suitable for containers

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