

RHS AWARD OF GARDEN MERIT

Broccoli, calabrese & kohlrabi 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

AGM material online

For information about RHS trials, go to: www.rhs.org.uk/trials. For a full list of AGM plants, go to: www.rhs.org.uk/AGMplants

Cultivation

For more information, go to www.rhs.org.uk/growyourown and look under **A to Z**. For supplier details go to: www.rhs.org.uk/vegseedsuppliers

Descriptions

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

BROCCOLI, SPROUTING (*Brassica oleracea* Italica Group)

Purple sprouting broccoli

- 03 'Bordeaux' (H4)
~ early. Compact plants which stand well over winter; fairly large heads of good colour
- 95 'Claret' (H4)
~ F1 hybrid. Very tall; heavy yield of dark purple spears from March through April
- 95 'Early Purple Sprouting Improved' (H4)
~ very tall; steady crop from March to April
- 95 'Late Purple Sprouting' (H4)
~ late. Vigorous tall plants, with good yield potential, easy to pick; reconfirmed after trial 2003
- 03 'Purple Sprouting Improved' (H4)
~ long cropping period; vigorous plants; high yield
- 95 'Red Arrow' (H4)
~ early to mid season; long cropping period. Good winter hardiness; bushy, vigorous plants. Reconfirmed after trial 2003
- 95 'Red Spear' (H4)
~ early to mid season; long cropping period. Good winter hardiness and yield; head colour fairly deep. Reconfirmed after trial 2003
- 95 'Redhead' (H4)
~ very tall plants; a good crop of large spears of good purple colour from early March through April

White sprouting broccoli

- 95 'White Eye' (H4)
~ tight white buds; early white spears for picking in March
- 95 'White Star' (H4)
~ good weight; late white spears for cutting in April

CALABRESE (*Brassica oleracea* Italica Group)

- 95 'Arcadia' (H3)
~ F1 hybrid; May sown. Very healthy foliage. Late, small, mid to dark

green buds, medium to heavy yields; reconfirmed after trial 2007

- 03 'Belstar' (H3)
~ F1 hybrid; May sown. Mid to late season; uniform medium-sized plants, with attractive heads and medium to small buds
- 95 'Corvet' (H3)
~ F1 hybrid; May sown. Large heads with small buds; medium maturity (84 days from sowing); holds well; heads easy to see
- 07 'Crown and Sceptre' (H3)
~ autumn-cropping; vigorous, uniform plants; flat primary heads with medium-sized beads. Would make a lot of side-shoots if sown earlier
- 95 'Fiesta' (H3)
~ F1 hybrid; May sown. Medium-sized heads with small buds set deep in the leaf; late-maturing (92 days from sowing)
- 95 'Flash' (H3)
~ F1 hybrid; May sown. Crops over a long period; large heads with small to medium bud size hold well (80–90 days from sowing)
- 07 'Green Magic' (H3)
~ autumn-cropping; very good yield of slightly domed, good-sized heads with small beads. Known to make good side-shoots
- 03 'Griffen' (H3)
~ F1 hybrid; May sown. Mid season, uniform, attractive, medium-sized heads with medium to large buds and succulent stalks
- 03 'Hydra' (H3)
~ F1 hybrid; May sown. Mid to late vigorous plants; uniform crop, medium to small, dark green, domed heads. Average yield of very large to medium-sized secondaries about 5 weeks after the primary heads
- 03 'Kabuki' (H3)
~ F1 hybrid; May sown; early. Short, compact plants, producing a good

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Broccoli, etc. 2011 (cont.)



crop of medium green, deep, well-rounded heads with uniform buds. Average yield of medium-sized secondaries, produced 3 to 5 weeks after the primary heads. Could be closely spaced to produce baby heads. Reconfirmed after trial 2007

95 **'Lord'** (H3)

~ F1 hybrid; May sown. Medium-maturing; large heads set down within leaves (85 days from sowing)

03 **'Mistral'** (H3)

~ F1 hybrid; May sown; mid season, uniform, vigorous plants with attractive, dark green, well-domed heads with uniform buds

07 **'Olympia'** (H3)

~ autumn-cropping; good clean, solid heads

95 **'Skiff'** (H3)

~ F1 hybrid; May sown. Medium to large heads crop over a long period and hold well (80–90 days from sowing)

95 **'Tiara'** (H3)

~ F1 hybrid; May sown. Early, medium-sized heads

95 **'Trixie'** (H3)

~ F1 hybrid; May sown. Early to mid season, medium-sized plants with blue-green leaves and attractive medium to dark green, domed

heads with small buds. Very high yield of medium-sized secondaries produced 3 to 5 weeks after the primary heads. Reconfirmed after trial 2003

95 **'Viking'** (H3)

~ F1 hybrid; May sown. Early, small heads. Does not stand well. Concentrated maturity (80 days from sowing)

KOHLRABI (*Brassica oleracea* Gongylodes Group)

97 **'Adriana'** (H3)

~ good quality, flattened globe shape; uniform, green, small to medium size. For an open pollination type, quick-maturing

93 **'Domino'** (H3)

~ early, for cultivation under frames

06 **'Erko'** (H3)

~ open-pollinated. Early, uniform bulbs that fill quickly. Short tops. Crisp flesh with mild, sweet flavour

06 **'Kolibri'** (H3)

~ hybrid; uniform crop of purple, decorative bulbs with crisp flesh and good flavour. Medium-sized tops

97 **'Kongo'** (H3)

~ F1 hybrid. Exceptional quality; green, very rapid grower, very sweet and moist, with high yield and attractive short leaves

06 **'Korist'** (H3)

~ hybrid; very early crop of good-sized, tender, juicy bulbs with a mild flavour

06 **'Lanro'** (H3)

~ hybrid; smaller bulbs with sweet, tender flesh. Suitable for "baby veg" production

06 **'Olivia'** (H3)

~ hybrid; uniform crop of very tender, juicy bulbs that have a sweet, fresh flavour. Medium tops with slender petioles

97 **'Quickstar'** (H3)

~ F1 hybrid. Uniform crop of juicy, tender bulbs with a mild flavour. Medium-sized tops. Reconfirmed after trial 2006

97 **'Rapidstar'** (H3)

~ F1 hybrid. Very uniform; green; medium to large and flattened