

RHS AWARD OF GARDEN MERIT

Celery, chicory, cornsalad, endive, radish 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

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AGM material online

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Cultivation

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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.

CELERY (*Apium graveolens* var. *dulce*)

93 'Celebrity' (H3)

~ self-blanching, fairly short plants, with ribbed petioles and good flavour. Reconfirmed after trial 2001

94 'Crystal' (H3)

~ F1 hybrid; self-blanching, fairly tall, with smooth petioles and attractive, upright habit

93 'Giant Pink – Mammoth Pink' (H3)

~ pink-tinged, green variety for blanching or earthing up; solid stems

05 'Granada' (H3)

~ F1 hybrid; pale green, reasonably smooth, quite fleshy petioles. Medium to strong flavour. Resistant to celery leaf spot (blight) caused by the *Septoria apiicola* fungus

93 'Ivory Tower' (H3)

~ self-blanching; tall with smooth petioles and good flavour

93 'Lathom Self Blanching' (H3)

~ self-blanching, with short ribbed petioles and good flavour. Vigorous habit. Reconfirmed after trial 2001

94 'Lathom Self Blanching Galaxy' (H3)

~ self-blanching; medium-length petioles; ribbed, bold plants

94 'Loret' (H3)

~ self-blanching short plants; rather ribby

05 'Loretta' (H3)

~ open-pollinated; early. Uniform, long, well-blanced, attractive petioles. Good sweet flavour

01 'Moonbeam' (H3)

~ good length of smooth petioles; good weight

94 'Octavius' (H3)

~ F1 hybrid. Attractive, uniform crop; short to medium-length, slightly ribbed, succulent petioles. Reconfirmed after trial 2005

01 'Tango' (H3)

~ open-pollinated; slower-maturing, long, mid green, fleshy petioles. Reconfirmed after trial 2005

94 'Victoria' (H3)

~ F1 hybrid. Tall, well-filled plants with medium-green, smooth, fleshy petioles. Widely used for commercial crops. Reconfirmed after trial 2005

CHICORY – LEAFY TYPES (*Cichorium intybus*)

Radicchio

02 'Indigo' (H3)

~ dense round heads; very uniform with dark green outer leaves and red hearts

02 'Leonardo' (H3)

~ well-developed heart; good internal red colour

02 'Palla Rossa' (H3)

~ medium to large heads; well-filled red hearts; fairly uniform. No bolting

Sugar loaf

02 'Pan di Zucchero' (H3)

~ uniform plants with medium to large frames and dark green outer leaves. Hearts blanch well

02 'Zuckerhut' (H3)

~ medium-sized plants with dark green outer leaves and well-developed, well-blanced hearts

CORNSALAD (*Valerianella locusta*)

94 'Baval' (H3)

~ mid green, medium-leaved; good flavour. Made good growth and remained free of disease under frames

94 'Cavallo' (H3)

~ long-leaved traditional type; gives a good yield under frames

94 'Medaillon' (H3)

~ slow-growing, short, thick-leaved under frames

ENDIVE (*Cichorium endivia*)

96 'Atria' (curled) ^(PBR) (H3)

~ very fine-cut leaf. Well-blanced and solid-hearted

09 'Despa' (H3)

~ attractive frisée type; very little bolting

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| <p>09 'Frenzy' (H3)
~ fine-leaf maraichère type. Compact and uniform. Très-fine types are commercially grown mainly for the high-class restaurant trade</p> <p>02 'Glory' (H3)
~ frisée endive with small frame and uniform, deeply, finely cut leaf. An attractive addition to a salad. Previously listed as 'Frisée Glory'</p> <p>96 'Golda' (Batavian) (H3)
~ short-leaf Batavian type. Well-hearted</p> <p>96 'Jeti' (curled) (H3)
~ a broad-leaved endive with uniform mid green heads of good quality. Reconfirmed after trial 2002</p> <p>09 'Kentucky' (H3)
~ intermediate frisée; very productive large heads. Blanches well</p> <p>02 'Lassie' ^(PBR) (H3)
~ a frisée endive with high yield of very deeply cut leaf; medium frames; good flavour</p> <p>09 'Natacha' (H3)
~ attractive escarole type; not bolting; strong flavour; not prone to tip-burn</p> <p>96 'Pancalieri' (curled) (H3)
~ very strong cut-leaf type. Does not blanch well</p> <p>09 'Plantation' (H3)
~ large frame frisée type, with broad leaves and very thin petioles. Very little tip-burn</p> <p>96 'Sally' (curled) (H3)
~ extra fine-cut leaf. Small size and flat-growing</p> <p>02 'Wallone' (H3)
~ frisée endive, very vigorous, with a large frame. High yield of mid to dark green, finely cut leaf. Suits 'cut and come again' cropping. Stands well. Reconfirmed after trial 2009</p> <p>RADISH (<i>Raphanus sativus</i>)</p> <p>08 'Amethyst' (H3)
~ decorative purple roots; very uniform flattened-round shape with a fine tap root. Short tops; leaves distinctively entire. No pithiness. Strong flavour</p> | <p>08 'Celesta' (H3)
~ hybrid. Very uniform crop of short-topped, good dark red round roots with a fine tap root. No pithiness. Good sweet flavour</p> <p>96 'Cherry Belle' (H3)
~ medium-sized leaf. Round red roots of good size</p> <p>96 'Cyros' (H3)
~ F1 hybrid. Small leaf; round red roots of excellent colour. Reconfirmed after trial 2002</p> <p>02 'Flamboyant' (H3)
~ cylindrical type; red with small white tip. Uniform, medium-sized tops</p> <p>96 'Flamboyant Sabina' (H3)
~ quick-maturing red roots with small white tip</p> <p>96 'French Breakfast 2' (H3)
~ uniform crimson roots with white tip</p> <p>96 'French Breakfast 3' (H3)
~ crimson roots with one-third white tip</p> <p>00 'Gandar' (H3)
~ uniform; cylindrical shape; good red colour with small white tip; attractive bunch</p> <p>00 'Isar' (H3)
~ F1 hybrid; excellent size and form; round shape with erect short tops</p> <p>00 'Juwasprint' (H3)
~ very uniform; globe shape; bright red colour with short tops</p> <p>08 'Lucia' (H3)
~ attractive round roots, with no pithiness and short tops</p> <p>96 'Marabelle' (H3)
~ small leaf. Early with round red smallish roots. Reconfirmed after trial 2000 and 2002</p> <p>00 'Mirabeau' (H3)
~ F1 hybrid. A widely grown variety with short tops; globe shape; bright red. Reconfirmed after trial 2002</p> <p>08 'Ping Pong' (H3)
~ very uniform crop of solid, round, white roots that are crunchy, juicy and have a mild flavour. No pithiness. Tops are short with leaves that are almost entire</p> | <p>08 'Pink Beauty' (H3)
~ attractive, shiny-pink roots. Crunchy texture; good, sweet flavour. No pithiness</p> <p>00 'Printo' (H3)
~ F1 hybrid; excellent colour; nice round shape; medium tops</p> <p>93 'Ribella' (H3)
~ small leaf. Round bright red roots; reconfirmed after trial 1996</p> <p>93 'Rondar' (H3)
~ round bright attractive uniform roots; reconfirmed after trial 1996</p> <p>00 'Rougette' (H3)
~ a very quick grower with very short tops and round shape; uniform and of good colour. Reconfirmed after trial 2002</p> <p>02 'Rudi' ^(PBR) (H3)
~ round type; uniform, with good red colour; very short tops. Reconfirmed after trial 2008</p> <p>08 'Rudolph' (H3)
~ bright red, large, uniformly round roots. Medium length tops; no pithiness</p> <p>02 'Saxa' (H3)
~ round type; large root, maturing early; bright red, medium-length tops</p> <p>96 'Scarlet Globe' (H3)
~ round medium to large red roots</p> <p>93 'Short Top Forcing' (H3)
~ small leaf. Deep round roots of excellent colour. Reconfirmed after trial 2000 and 2008</p> <p>96 'Sparkler' (H3)
~ AGM awarded to Unwin's maintenance only; slightly flattened round red roots with a white base</p> <p>96 'Summer Crunch' (H3)
~ 'French Breakfast' type with small white tip</p> <p>02 'Sunto' (H3)
~ F1 hybrid; round type; good colour, early, very short tops</p> <p>96 'Tinto' (H3)
~ small leaf with large round red roots</p> <p>08 'Zlata' (H3)
~ interesting golden-yellow roots; very solid, crunchy, fairly thick-skinned, with a very hot flavour. No pithiness</p> |
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