

RHS AWARD OF GARDEN MERIT

Beans, peas, mangetout & sugarsnap peas 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**.

Descriptions

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

BEANS

Broad bean, November or spring sown (*Vicia faba*)

93 'Aquadulce Claudia' (H4)

- ~ not too tall; a good compact plant.
- An early crop when spring sown.
- Reconfirmed after trial 1999

Broad bean, November sown (*Vicia faba*)

95 'Aquadulce' (H4)

- ~ dark green foliage, showing some variability. Long pods; the highest yielding in the trial

95 'Aquadulce Loretta' (H4)

- ~ uniform plants with long pods

Broad bean, spring sown (*Vicia faba*)

93 'Express' (H3-4)

- ~ quick maturing, with well-filled pods

93 'Imperial Green Longpod' (H3-4)

- ~ good green colour and flavour; particularly good for freezing.
- Reconfirmed after trial 1999

99 'Jubilee Hysor' (H3-4)

- ~ good yield; uniform, well-filled pods

99 'Masterpiece Green Longpod' (H3-4)

- ~ slender, well-filled pods; good green colour and flavour; suitable for freezing

99 'Medes' (H3-4)

- ~ high yield of uniform, good-sized pods

93 'Meteor' (H3-4)

- ~ an early crop with well-filled, even pods; good flavour. Reconfirmed after trial 1999

93 'The Sutton' (H3-4)

- ~ dwarf compact plants, with nice flavour; ideal for smaller gardens and windy situations. Reconfirmed after trial 1999

95 'Topic' (H3-4)

- ~ early maturing; good yield.
- Reconfirmed after trial 1999

93 'Witkiem Major' (H3-4)

- ~ a good early yield, with uniform pods; plants not too tall.
- Reconfirmed after trial 1999

99 'Witkiem Manita' (H3-4)

- ~ a good early yield, with uniform pods

93 'Witkiem Vroma' (H3-4)

- ~ early cropping with medium-length, well-filled pods

Climbing French bean (*Vicia faba*)

93 'Algarve' (flat) (H3)

- ~ high yield; uniform mid green stringless pods. Reconfirmed after trial 2000 and 2008

00 'Cobra' ^(PBR) (round) (H3)

- ~ very high early yield; long, fleshy; very attractive; reconfirmed after trial 2008

93 'Cunera' (round) (H3)

- ~ mid green stringless pods

93 'Diamant' (round) (H3)

- ~ stringless pods

00 'Emerite' (round) (H3)

- ~ a medium to high yield of uniform, medium to long, slightly curved, fleshy, attractive beans

93 'Eva' (round) (H3)

- ~ very early. Long straight fleshy pods, wider-podded than other round varieties. Reconfirmed after trial 2000 and 2008

08 'Golden Gate' (flat) (H3)

- ~ good crop of golden, fleshy, flat pods with a sweet, fresh flavour

93 'Hunter' (flat) (H3)

- ~ attractive long stringless pods. Slow to show seed development. Reconfirmed after trial 2000 and 2008

00 'Kingston Gold' (flat) (H3)

- ~ attractive smooth, yellow pod; uniform, slow-maturing, green-podded beans

93 'Kwintus' (flat) (H3)

- ~ high yield with long stringless pods; reconfirmed after trial 2008

08 'Limka' (flat) (H3)

- ~ consistently high yields of good quality, flat, light green pods with a good flavour

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- 93 **'Musica'** (flat) (H3)
~ quick to mature, with long stringless pods; reconfirmed after trial 2008
- 08 **'Pantheon'** (flat) (H3)
~ very high yield of broad, fleshy, flat pods with a sweet flavour
- 00 **'Sultana'** (round) (H3)
~ early, attractive French bean type. Medium to high yield of very uniform, medium to long, mid green, reasonably fleshy beans. Does not seed too quickly
- Dwarf French bean (*Phaseolus vulgaris*)**
- 10 **'Allegría'** (H3)
~ very fine bean, good colour, neat and straight pods, compact habit, late cropper
- 93 **'Annabel'** (H3)
~ dark green colour, compact habit, fine foliage, tender fleshy tasting pods. Reconfirmed after trial 1996 and 2010
- 96 **'Artigo'** (H3)
~ strong-growing with high yield of large long green pods
- 02 **'Berggold'** (wax podded) (H3)
~ attractive, clear golden, medium to long beans with slightly curved and flattened pods
- 10 **'Boston'** (H3)
~ good length bean, bright green glossy pod, consistent 12.5cm length, attractive plant and juicy to eat
- 93 **'Annabel'** (H3)
~ dark green colour, compact habit, fine foliage, tender fleshy tasting pods. Reconfirmed after trial 1996 and 2010
- 01 **'Cantare'** ^(PBR) (H3)
~ medium length, fleshy, good taste
- 93 **'Cropper Teepee'** (H3)
~ upright habit. Mid green large pods, held high in the plant. Reconfirmed after trial 1996
- 93 **'Delinel'** (H3)
~ strong-growing with long, dark green pods. Reconfirmed after trial 2001 and 2010
- 96 **'Ferrari'** (H3)
~ high yield; compact habit with straight, shortish, dark green pods
- 01 **'Filao'** (H3)
~ a short, fine, good quality bean
- 02 **'Goddukut'** (wax podded) (H3)
~ very early; high yield of pale yellow beans with some greening. Slightly curved and flattened pods. Reconfirmed after trial 2010
- 10 **'Green Arrow'** (H3)
~ good mid to dark green colour with large round pods; fleshy
- 96 **'Irago'** (H3)
~ very early; high yield. Upright habit; long, straight, mid green pods held high in the plant. Reconfirmed after trial 2001
- 10 **'Jersey'** (H3)
~ a new attractive bean with dark green-coloured pods with a uniform and fleshy taste. Plants have a healthy growth
- 01 **'Jessica'** (H3)
~ medium length, fleshy, attractive beans with a good flavour. Potentially high yield
- 01 **'Maja'** (H3)
~ long, fat, good for slicing; the highest yield in the trial
- 01 **'Maradonna'** (H3)
~ medium to short, mid green, flattish pods
- 01 **'Marona'** (H3)
~ late; medium length, dark green, fat pods; good potential yield
- 01 **'Nomad'** (H3)
~ medium to short, fairly pale, uniform, straight, slightly flattened pods. High yield. Reconfirmed after trial 2010
- 02 **'Orinoco'** (wax podded) (H3)
~ medium yield of medium to long, rounded, straight, slim, greenish-yellow pods
- 01 **'Safari'** (H3)
~ short, slim, mid green, round, attractive pods. Low yields
- 10 **'Scuba'** (H3)
~ short fat pods, mid green pod, fleshy, white-seeded, good yield
- 02 **'Sonesta'** (wax podded) (H3)
~ early. High yield of bright yellow, fairly long, straight, slightly flattened pods. A compact plant. Reconfirmed after trial 2010
- 93 **'Sprite'** (H3)
~ heavy yield, with long, dark green pods
- 10 **'Stanley'** (H3)
~ mid to dark green colour; tender and sweet. Taller plant. Uniform and picks over long period
- 10 **'Tasman'** (H3)
~ good dark green colour; straight pods; high yields. Pods have a good fleshy taste
- 96 **'The Prince'** (H3)
~ AGM awarded to Suttons maintenance only. Excellent yield; straight pale green pods
- Runner bean (*Phaseolus coccineus*)**
- 93 **'Achievement'** (H3)
~ maincrop with long, smooth, slender pods
- 99 **'Achievement-Merit'** (H3)
~ very long, straight, slender, smooth pods
- 06 **'Aintree'** (H3)
~ mid season. Red-flowered, producing attractive, good quality, slim, straight, long pods with sweet flavour
- 06 **'Celebration'** (H3)
~ high yield of attractive, straight, smooth, good quality, fleshy pods with good colour and flavour. Flowers are a decorative pink
- 99 **'Desiree'** (H3)
~ stringless pods with thick fleshy walls
- 99 **'Enorma'** (H3)
~ late; long, smooth, slender pods

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- 06 **'Enorma-Elite'** (H3)
~ vigorous cultivar with red flowers. Produces nice, smooth, straight beans. Sets well and has a reasonable yield
- 99 **'Flare'** (H3)
~ attractive slender pods; high yield
- 99 **'Lady Di'** (H3)
~ attractive, blemish-free, long, slender pods
- 93 **'Liberty'** (H3)
~ very long pods; a popular show variety
- 06 **'Red Flame'** (H3)
~ red-flowered, setting well with smooth, long, straight pods
- 99 **'Red Rum'** (H3)
~ good early and late yield; slim, straight, stringless pods, of medium length
- 99 **'Rotblühende'** (H3)
~ broad pods, fairly straight and smooth; good yield
- 06 **'Royal Standard'** (H3)
~ red-flowered. Good yield of stringless beans that tend to curl, but broad and succulent with a good snap and nice flavour
- 99 **'Titan'** (H3)
~ long, straight, slender pods; good yield
- 06 **'White Achievement'** (H3)
~ later cropping. White-flowered; produces a reasonable yield of dark green, fleshy pods with a strong flavour
- 99 **'White Apollo'** (H3)
~ long, smooth, fleshy pods; excellent early and late yield
- 99 **'White Emergo'** (H3)
~ late; smooth, tender, uniform pods, with good colour
- 06 **'White Emergo-Snowy'** (H3)
~ white-flowered; straight, fleshy pods with good flavour. Continued to crop well in trial even when the temperature was high
- 99 **'White Lady'** ^(PBR) (H3)
~ late; very fleshy pods
- 99 **'Wisley Magic'** (H3)
~ very long pods; very high early and late yield; previously listed as 'Pulsar', a name already in use for an earlier cultivar
- PEA (*Pisum sativum*)**
- 98 **'Ambassador'** (H3)
~ maincrop; medium-sized twin pods, easy to pod; good yield with even distribution
- 05 **'Balmoral'** (H3)
~ late maincrop; dark-foliaged plant produces a heavy crop of double and triple pods per node. Short pods have an average of seven peas per pod, with good sweet flavour
- 04 **'Banff'** (H3)
~ early crop of double pods per node with an average of 7 big peas per pod; good flavour
- 97 **'Bayard'** (H3)
~ early; a good crop with an average of 8 peas per pod; plants semi-leafless and therefore easy to pick
- 93 **'Cavalier'** (H3)
~ AGM awarded to Tozers maintenance only. Maincrop; long straight pods, mostly paired; variable maturity therefore good for garden use. Reconfirmed after trial 1998
- 98 **'Cockpit'** (H3)
~ maincrop; semi-leafless with very long pod; well-filled with a good colour
- 05 **'Dorian'** ^(PBR) (H3)
~ early maincrop; good crop of easy to pick, very long, straight pods. Plants not too tall; produce mainly double pods per node that contain an average of nine big, well flavoured peas
- 93 **'Early Onward'** (H3)
~ early, high yield of blunt-ended pods borne in pairs
- 05 **'Greensage'** (H3)
~ maincrop; strong-growing, semi-leafless plants produce easy to pick, mainly double pods per node. Long pods have an average of ten big sweetly-flavoured peas per pod
- 98 **'Griffin'** (H3)
~ maincrop; dark green, with small to medium pods in twos or threes; good flavour
- 97 **'Holiday'** (H3)
~ early; a good cropper; long pods with 8 very sweet peas per pod; easy to pick
- 97 **'Hunter'** (H3)
~ early; a heavy cropper with pods over the whole of the plant; an average of 8 peas per pod
- 93 **'Hurst Greenshaft'** (H3)
~ maincrop; heavy yield of dark green, medium-length, pointed pods. Average of nine good-flavoured peas per pod. Reconfirmed after trial 1998, 2005
- 05 **'Jaguar'** (H3)
~ early maincrop; heavy crop of mainly double pods per node. Medium-length pods have an average of seven peas per pod, with good flavour
- 97 **'Kelvedon Wonder'** (H3)
~ early maincrop. Long, dark green pods, with an average of 7-8 peas per pod. Reconfirmed after trial 2004, 2005
- 97 **'Little Marvel'** (H3)
~ early-maturing, good-flavoured pea, easily shelled with an average of 7 peas per pod
- 04 **'Misty'** ^(PBR) (H3)
~ early. Compact plants; good crop of double pods per node; pods evenly set, with an average of 6 peas; good flavour
- 98 **'Oasis'** ^(PBR) (H3)
~ maincrop; a later-maturing variety. Cropped well; blunt-ended pods
- 98 **'Onward'** (H3)
~ first of the main crop with a high yield and good flavour

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- 98 **'Oregon Trail'** (H3)
~ maincrop; good habit; short pods.
Good yield over a long picking period
- 98 **'Rondo'** (H3)
~ maincrop; large, broad, straight, pointed pods
- 98 **'Saturn'** (H3)
~ maincrop; a heavy cropper, not too tall, with dark green foliage; a long picking period
- 05 **'Serge'** ^(PBR) (H3)
~ maincrop; semi-leafless plants produce a heavy crop of easy to pick pods. Medium-length pods have an average of ten peas per pod, with good flavour
- 98 **'Show Perfection'** (H3)
~ maincrop; an 'exhibition' pea, very tall with long dark green pods. A high yield over a long period
- 04 **'Spring'** (H3)
~ early crop from compact plants. Single and double pods per node. Pods evenly set, with average of 6 peas; good flavour
- 05 **'Starlight'** ^(PBR) (H3)
~ early maincrop; heavy crop for picking over a long period. Blunt, medium-length pods are easy to see and pick. Mainly double, but also several triple pods per node. Short pods have on average seven peas per pod, with good sweet flavour
- Mangetout pea**
- 00 **'Delikata'** (H3)
~ tall, with similar pods to 'Oregon Sugar Pod'. A shade earlier and carries a heavy crop. Pods soon form strings if not picked regularly. Mildew and fusarium resistant
- 93 **'Edula'** (H3)
~ fairly dwarf habit with a good crop of curved fleshy pods
- 09 **'Oregon Giant'** (H3)
~ clean, healthy, mid height plants. Attractive broad, mid green pods
- 93 **'Oregon Sugar Pod'** (H3)
~ AGM awarded to Bakker maintenance only. Medium length, with flushes of broad, flat pods over an extended picking period. Must be picked while young and stringless. Reconfirmed after trial 2000
- 93 **'Reuzensuiker'** (H3)
~ medium height, pods larger, broader and more fleshy than 'Oregon Sugar Pod' with a concentrated set high on the plant
- 00 **'Snow Wind'** ^(PBR) (H3)
~ semi-leafless type producing sweet, dark green pods. Good crop over a long picking season. Would be self-supporting if grown in a block instead of rows
- Sugarsnap pea**
- 00 **'Cascadia'** (H3)
~ dwarf habit producing very fleshy, crisp, sweet pods, which remain tender and sweet over a longer period than many snaps. Heavy crops over a long picking season. Reconfirmed after trial 2009
- 00 **'Delikett'** (H3)
~ dwarf habit. Young, dark green pods stringless but soon form strings; become fleshier and sweeter with age. Very well cropped and a long season of picking. Reconfirmed after trial 2009
- 00 **'Sugar Ann'** (H3)
~ medium height. Early to crop and gives a good yield of juicy, sweet pods. Good flavour. Reconfirmed after trial 2009
- 09 **'Sugar Bon'** (H3)
~ early crop of attractive, fleshy, tender pods with good, sweet flavour
- 00 **SUGAR DWARF SWEET GREEN 'Norli'** (H3)
~ medium height. About the earliest maturing and a heavy cropper but over a short period and so requires successional sowing. Medium height plants; good for garden use. Reconfirmed after trial 2009
- 00 **'Sugar Lord'** ^(PBR) (H3)
~ very tall vigorous plant; extremely high yield of uniform good-coloured pods