

CABBAGE MEGASTAR

A NEW, LARGE, HIGH QUALITY F1 HYBRID CABBAGE

- Large upright frame
- Excellent head protection
- Excellent uniformity
- Very high yield potential
- Produces large to extra-large heads
- Excellent cold tolerance



Type

A large to extra-large F1 hybrid cabbage. MEGASTAR ideally shows good adaptability for autumn, winter and spring harvesting slots. Black rot resistance is intermediate therefore caution should be exercised when planting MEGASTAR in summer in areas where black rot pressure is high. MEGASTAR is ideally suited for the loose head (hawker market) and fresh market.

Maturity

Medium to late maturing. Area and climate dependent. Approximately 90 -130 days from transplant.

Plant Characteristics

A large plant with an upright leaf habit that provides excellent head protection. Has good tolerance to extreme cold. A plant population of 25,000 plants per ha is recommended for single head marketing and 30,000 - 35,000 plants per ha for the bagging market.

Head Characteristics: MEGASTAR has a very firm round head with an average head size of 5kg - 6kg plus (mass with outer leaves). MEGASTAR has an attractive light green colour. It has a high first cut percentage with very good holdability.

Variety Characteristics

Fertilization Guidelines: This is a general guide, grower conditions vary and a soil analysis is highly recommended.

N: 150 to 200kg/ha. 70 to 90 kg/ha incorporated preplant.

Top dress the balance as follows: Summer: 7,14 and 28 days after transplanting (no later).

Winter: 14,28 and 45 days from transplant (no later).

P: 50 kg/ha incorporated preplant. K: 120 kg/ha incorporate preplant. Soil pH: 6 - 6,8.

Yield Potential: Owing to its large to extra-large head size MEGASTAR will out yield most varieties in its recommended harvesting slots. Yields of 100 tons plus per ha are realistic. Yield is dependent on several variables including climate, fertilisation, disease pressure and irrigation amongst others.

Features & Benefits

MEGASTAR's large heads with good holdability and bolting tolerance ensures that a high-quality crop is produced in early spring. The high yield potential and uniformity makes it an attractive option for growers looking for large to extra-large heads for their particular markets.

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Resistance: is the ability of a plant variety to restrict the growth and development of a specified pest or pathogen and/or the damage they cause when compared to susceptible plant varieties under similar environmental conditions and pest or pathogen pressure. Resistant varieties may exhibit some disease symptoms or damage under heavy pest or pathogen pressure (HR = High resistance, IR = Intermediate resistance).