## WATERMELON LIVERPOOL

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### A LARGE CRIMSON SWEET TYPE HYBRID WATERMELON WITH EXCELLENT FLESH COLOUR AND QUALITY

- Very early maturity
- Very strong vines with high yield
- Deep red, firm flesh with good shelf life
- High brix and good taste
- Resistance to Fusarium, Anthracnose and Powdery Mildew



#### Type

A hybrid Crimson Sweet type watermelon.

#### Maturity

Main season 75 - 80 days.

#### **Plant Characteristics**

Very vigorous plant with healthy leaf cover that protect the fruit well.

Plant Population: 4,000 to 8,000 plants per hectare.

**Adaptation:** LIVERPOOL is recommended for early season and summer production. For grafting, use medium vigorous *C. maxima x C. moschata* rootstocks.

#### **Variety Characteristics**

**Fruit Characteristics:** Large, oval-round fruit with weight of 11 - 15kg. The rind has medium-dark green colour with broad, light green stripes. The flesh has deep red colour with firm texture, good flavour and high brix.

Climate: Optimum germination temperature:  $27^{\circ}$ C to  $32^{\circ}$ C, with night temperature not lower than  $24^{\circ}$ C. Optimum growth temperatures at night are  $18 - 20^{\circ}$ C, and day  $24 - 30^{\circ}$ C, and for ripening  $15 - 25^{\circ}$ C. Do not sow or transplant into the open field until the temperatures are warm enough, unless plastic mulches are used.

#### Features & Benefits

LIVERPOOL produces very vigorous vines with very early maturity and high yield of large, oval-round fruit. The flesh has deep red colour, firm texture, good flavour and high brix. Suitable for fresh market use.

**Disease Resistance:** 

Intermediate Resistance: Fon (1) / Co / Px (1)

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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).