CHARACTERISTICS

VERDI is very resilient against phytophthora, rhizoctonia and black leg.



Plant

Maturity	Medium early	
Plant type	Intermediate	
Growth habit	Semi-upright	
Colour of flower	Red-violet	
Foliage development	Rapid, Medium	
Number of tubers	Medium	
Dormancy	Very high	

Yield and quality

Market segment	Crisps
Yield	Medium
Share oversize	Low, Medium
Share undersize	Low
Dry matter content	High
Crisp quality after harvest	Very high
Crisp quality after long-term storage	Very high

Tuber characteristics

Tuber shape	Round-oval
Flesh colour	Cream
Eye depth	Medium, Deep
Skin colour	Yellow
Skin appearance	Netted

Resistances

Nematodes	Ro 1, Ro 4	
Potato wart disease	Pathotype 1*	
Leaf blight	High	
Tuber blight	Medium, High	
Rhizoctonia	High	
Black leg	High	
Common scab	Medium, High	
Internal rust spot	Medium, High	
Second growth	High	
Mechanical damages	Low, Medium	
Bruising	Low, Medium	
PVY	Medium	
PVY ^{NTN}	Low, Medium	

^{*} found to be resistant in an EU-country

Verdi



medium early crisps variety predestined for cold- and long-term storage



GROWING ADVICE WAREPOTATOES

VERDI is a medium early processing variety, which is best suitable fort he production of crisps. It is predestined for cold- and long-term storage. Verdi can also be used for the production of flakes.

Location

· irrigation is advisable, especially on light soils

Preparation of seed and planting

- dormancy should be broken by warm storage immediately before planting
- break the apical sprout to receive a better development of the plants
- seed treatment against rhizoctonia is advisable

	75 cm	90 cm	plants/ha
28/35	20 - 22 cm	17 - 19 cm	60.000 - 64.000
35/45	26 - 30 cm	22 - 25 cm	45.000 - 51.000
45/55	31 - 33 cm	26 - 28 cm	39.000 - 43.000
35/55	29 - 32 cm	24 - 26 cm	42.000 - 46.000
55/60	36 - 38 cm	30 - 32 cm	35.000 - 37.000

- the lighter the soil, the wider the planting distance
- without irrigation or when the location is at risk of droughts, plant a little bit wider
- · always count tubers for optimal planting density

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Crop management

	quantity*	1 st application	2 nd application
N	100 %	33 %	67 %
P ₂ O ₅	100 %	100 %	-
K₂O	120 %	50 %	50 %

^{*} in comparison to other crisp varieties

- 1/3 as ammonia fertiliser before planting
- 2/3 as ammonia fertiliser when plants are around 15 cm high
- to maximize the yield, give at least 2 times 6 10 kg N/ha as leaf fertiliser with the phytophtora applications after flowering
- if number of stems per plant is below 4, give additional P as leaf fertiliser right before tuberset + look for sufficient water supply during tuberset
- use chloride-based potassium and add 60 kg/ha of magnesium!

Alternative: underground fertilisation

- ½ P₂O₅ before planting
- ½ P₂O₅ as DAP during planting → take the included amount of N into account for the first N-application
- **K₂O** splitting: 2/5 before or during planting, 3/5 before tuberset
- · irrigation around tuberset can be advantageous
- spray against phytophtora in accordance with local warning services and especially after self-monitoring the crop
- · should be combined with efficient agents against alternaria
- · use insecticides to secure high yields

Harvest and storage

- harvest gently after skinset
- · do not harvest when it is too cold
- · blow the tubers dry before storage

