

Melon

Cucumis melo cantalupensis



Over the last 2 years, the Elsoms portfolio has expanded into charentais melons. Trials were conducted last summer in Worcestershire and this past summer in Staffordshire. From these trials we have determined that one variety has worked well.

Soraya

Soraya is very well suited to medium early production in tunnels. It has firm, bright coloured flesh with a very high sugar content. It sets fruit close to the main stem and has even maturity. The fruits weigh 700-950g at maturity and average 6 fruits/m.

Plants are grown in modules and then planted, spaced at 3 plants/m on 2m wide beds in tunnels. A sowing date of mid May will allow for a mid June plant to harvest the end of August.

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