

ARAMIS WATERMELON



**STARKE
AYRES®**

A LARGE TRIPLOID, HYBRID WATERMELON WITH EXCELLENT TASTE

- Ideal for early and summer season
- Large, uniform, seedless fruit
- Deep red, firm flesh with long shelf life
- High brix and excellent taste
- Very high yielding with strong vines

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| Type | A hybrid Triploid watermelon. |
| Maturity | Main season 85 - 95 days. |
| Plant Characteristics | Very vigorous plants with healthy leaf cover that protects the fruit against sunburn. |
| Fruit Characteristics | Large, uniform elongated fruit with weight of 9 - 13kg. The rind has a medium green colour with light green stripes. The flesh has a deep red colour and crisp texture, with very good flavour and high brix. |
| Disease Resistance | Intermediate Resistance: Fusarium wilt (Fon: 0,1) |
| Climate | Optimum germination temperature: 27°C to 32°C, with night temperature not lower than 24°C. Optimum growth temperatures at night are 18 - 20°C, and day 24 - 30°C, and for ripening. 15 - 25°C. Do not sow or transplant into the open field until the temperatures are warm enough, unless plastic mulches are used. |
| Soil | Best performance is obtained on newly prepared, sandy-loam soils, which are rich in humus and fer-tilizer, well-drained, with pH (H2O) = 5.6 – 6.8. Heavy soils should be avoided. |
| Plant Population | 2,500 to 3,000 plants/ha, grafted on a suitable rootstock. Interplanted with a suitable pollinator variety (833 to 1,500 plants/ha). Total plant population 3,333 to 4,500 plants/ha. |
| Fertilisation | Approximate nutrient requirements depending on soil type, soil analyses, and crop load; N: 90-170 kg/ha: 30% pre-plant and the balance as two side dressings. P: 15-180 kg/ha: Apply pre-plant and work down to root depth. K: 40-250 kg/ha: 30% pre-plant and the balance as two side dressings, simultaneously with the N-application (eg. KNO3). |
| Adaptation | ARAMIS is recommended for early and main season production. |
| Pollination | A suitable pollinator must be inter-planted at a recommended ratio of 3:1 in the main season, when the conditions are favourable. In the early season and periods of difficult pollination, it is advisable to plant at a ratio of 2:1. Consult our seedless production guidelines for further information. |
| Features and Benefits | ARAMIS is very high yielding with large, uniform fruit size. The flesh has deep red colour, firm texture, excellent flavour and high brix. Suitable for fresh-cut, fresh market and supermarkets. |

* Submitted for registration on the national variety list.

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