



# SQUASH OVERVIEW

2023-24



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VARIETY:	Delica	TYPE /COLOUR:	Kabocha (Green)
DAYS TO MATURITY:	100	WEIGHT (KG):	1.7-1.9

Delica is a variety that is extremely adaptable to various growing conditions. The fruit has a superb, sweet taste and a dark green skin finish with a flat globe shape and thick yellow flesh.



VARIETY:	Constanza	TYPE /COLOUR:	Kabocha (Green)
DAYS TO MATURITY:	120	WEIGHT (KG):	1.0-1.2

This superb Kabocha type produces high yielding and uniform fruit with a very intense taste and an attractive speckled green skin structure.  
Constanza is an early maturing variety with excellent long storage capabilities.



VARIETY:	Sweet Mama	TYPE /COLOUR:	Kabocha (Green)
DAYS TO MATURITY:	120	WEIGHT (KG):	1.8-2.0

Sweet Mama is extremely high yielding and heavier than Delica. This semi bush type variety has good storage capabilities, short internodes, and a delicious nutty taste.



### I am delighted to share details of our range of edible squash varieties for 2023 and beyond.

Whilst the demand for this crop continues to expand in the UK and Ireland we are confident that our varieties offer growers the point of difference when considering their portfolio for the coming season.

In conjunction with our colleagues at Takii Seeds we have selected a range of varieties that consistently offer excellent storage capabilities and high marketable yields along with excellent uniformity, skin finish and taste.

As the UK and Ireland industry adapts to ever changing consumer demands we are confident that the Takii range will deliver the best in variety innovation to our growers.

**Tom Hart**  
Managing Director

VARIETY	DAYS TO MATURITY	MAX. HEAD WEIGHT (KG)	TYPE/ COLOUR	JAN	FEB	MAR	APRIL	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
Sweet Mama	120	1.8-2.0 kg	Bush type (Green)												
Constanza	120	1.0-1.2 kg	Trailing type (Green)												
Delica	100	1.7-1.9 kg	Trailing type (Green)												
Delica Sun	100	1.6 Kg	Phytorich Type (Orange)												
Delica Moon	85	2.0 kg	Grey Skinned Delica Type												
TI-126 F1	55	1.6-1.8 Kg	Dark Green Acorn Type												
Uchiki Kuri	40	1.0-1.5kg	Trailing type (Red/Orange)												



**VARIETY:** Delica Sun **TYPE /COLOUR:** Kabocha (Orange)

**DAYS TO MATURITY:** 100 **WEIGHT (KG):** 1.6

This is the new Phytorich Delica which has all the advantages of the Standard Delica, but with a flat round shape and an attractive orange coloured skin. The fruit has the same sweet taste as the Standard Delica but with internal flesh of a curry to orange colour. Bred conventionally in Japan by Takii this variety's Phytorich nutrient is Lutein (UK proven) at a high concentration of 10mg/100g.



**VARIETY:** Uchiki Kuri **TYPE /COLOUR:** Kabocha (Orange)

**DAYS TO MATURITY:** 40 **WEIGHT (KG):** 1.0-1.5

Uchiki Kuri is a high yielding variety with a vigorous plant habit. The tear drop shaped fruits are extremely attractive with a vibrant deep orange external skin. The flesh is a creamy colour with a delicious, sweet and nutty flavour.



**VARIETY:** Delica Moon **TYPE /COLOUR:** Kabocha (Grey)

**DAYS TO MATURITY:** 85 **WEIGHT (KG):** 2.0

This is another new Delica type which also has all the standard variety's advantages in taste, texture and uniformity but with a relatively smooth and attractive grey skin colour with the characteristic flat globe shape and intensely yellow to orange flesh. Delica Moon produces good yields over a range of soil types and climatic conditions.



**VARIETY:** TI-126 F1 **TYPE /COLOUR:** Kabocha (Green Acorn)

**DAYS TO MATURITY:** 55 **WEIGHT (KG):** 1.6-1.8

This is a uniquely shaped Kabocha type. TI-126 is very similar to Acorn Squash but has all of the advantages of the Delica types in terms of taste, flesh texture and a good thick skin which helps to reduce product handling damage. It is a fast-maturing variety in the similar range to Uchiki Kuri which means that it can be harvested from Mid/Late August to December.



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