

# Almera.

(BM 77-2102 x AR 80-031-20)



**Market Outlet:**  
Table & Organic

## General

Almera is a very high yielding table variety with an attractive pale yellow skin and light yellow flesh colour. The tubers are oval long in shape and rather big. Because of its regular appearance, impressive flavour and suitability for washing, Almera is ideal for the fresh table market. The cooking type is rather firm and the dry matter content is low. Tuber numbers are good. Almera is suitable for planting as a second crop and can be grown on most soil types, especially suiting growing conditions in South and Central Europe. Marketed under the Carisma brand, Almera is proving very popular in Australia.

## Maturity

Early Maincrop

## Cultivation

Pre-sprouting (chitting) is not necessary. Do not remove the sprouts more than once. Planting distance for tuber size 35/55mm is about 32cm (40,000 plants per Ha). Use of Metribuzin (eg. Sencorex) can cause a reaction in the foliage and lead to a reduction in overall yield. Slow to get going but with strong later development concluding with tubers gaining size quickly towards the end. Even application of irrigation helps ensure consistent development of the foliage, to give good soil coverage and even sized tubers. Minimally susceptible to Black Spot but should be handled carefully at harvest to avoid bruising.

## Fertiliser Treatment Suggestions

The recommendation for nitrogen is a little less than standard

## Storage

Almera has short dormancy and is not suitable for long term storage

## Resistance

Almera is susceptible to Black Leg, and Late Blight, but has good resistance to Spraing, Yntn-Virus, Leaf rolland Fusarium. It is also resistant to PCN Ro1 and 4 and Wart Disease Fysio 1.

# Agronomic Information

Scoring (1= low / poor, 9= high / excellent)

## Average Yield

8

## Disease Resistance

## Quality

Tuber Shape	Oval Long
Uniformity of shape	7
Eye Depth	8
Skin Colour	Yellow
Flesh Colour	Light Yellow
Dry Matter (%)	17.5

Foliage Blight	4
Tuber Blight	6
Alternaria (Early Blight)	
Common Scab	5
Powdery Scab	2
Virus Y	5
Virus Yntn	7

## Agronomy

Dormancy	6
Foliage Maturity	7
Tuber Number (score)	7
Resistance to damage	6
Resistance to bruising	
Secondary Growth	8
Flower Colour	Light Violet

Virus A	
Virus X	
Spraing	8
Silver Scurf	
Fusarium (Dry Rot)	7
PCN—Ro1	Resistant
PCN—Pallida	Susceptible
Wart Disease	Resistant
Leaf Roll Virus	7
Blackleg	5

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