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## Quick Reference Table Novelty Beet

	Sowing season*	Days to maturity* (main season)	Top height* (cm)	Flesh colour*	Zoning*	Bolting reaction*	Crown size*	Disease reaction#			n#	
Variety*								Ср	Ер	Pfb	Rs	Comments
Chioggia Guardsmark (Speciality)	Warm and cool	Warm: 60 - 65 Cool: 80 - 95	35 - 40	White with purple zoning	Strong	Very slow	Medium					Year-round production and widely adapted. Vibrant candy striped colour, excellent for salads
Touchstone Gold	Warm and cool	Warm: 70 - 85 Cool: 90 - 105	30 - 35	Golden yellow	Very light	Very slow	Medium to small	IR				Year-round production, very early maturing, widely adapted. Vibrant golden yellow colour, smooth globe roots of high quality

<sup>\*</sup> Characteristics given are affected by production methods such as soil type, nutrition, planting population, planting date and climatic conditions. Please read disclaimer.

## # Disease reaction key:

IR: Intermediate resistance HR: High resistance

Abbreviation	Common disease name	Pathogen name
Cb	Leaf spot	Cercospora beticola
Ер	Powdery mildew	Erysiphe polygoni
Pfb	Downy mildew	Peronospora farinosa f.sp. betae
Rs	Rhizoctonia root and crown rot	Rhizoctonia solani

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Resistance: is the ability of a plant variety to restrict the growth and development of a specified pest or pathogen and/or the damage they cause when compared to susceptible plant varieties under similar environmental conditions and pest or pathogen pressure. Resistant varieties may exhibit some disease symptoms or damage under heavy pest or pathogen pressure (HR = High resistance).

<sup>\*</sup> Experimental: This variety does not appear on the current South African Variety list, but has been submitted for registration.

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