Quick Reference Table Short Day Brown Onion

Variety name	Relative maturity *	Bulb skin/ tunic colour *	Bulb shape *	Average bulb size *	Neck size*	Taste *	Bolting reaction*	Storability [*] (months)		Soil		Propagation		Disease resistance #			
								Ambient conditions	Controlled conditions	Sandy	Heavy	Direct sow	Transplant	Sets	Foc	Pt	Comments
Akamaru	Medium	Golden brown	Globe to high globe	Medium - large	Medium thin	Mild	Slow	2	2 - 3	Х	Х	Х	Х	X	HR	HR	High yield potential, good storage ability and excellent disease resistance
Duster	Medium	Brown	Globe	Medium - large	Thin	Mild	Slow - good tolerance	2 - 3	3 - 4	х	X	X	Х		HR	HR	Attractive globe-shaped bulbs with excellent skin retention. Very good disease resistance against soil-borne pathogens.
Hoshi	Medium	Golden brown	Globe to high globe	Medium - large	Thin	Mild	Slow - good tolerance	2 - 3	3 - 4	х	X	x	Х		HR	HR	Globe shaped bulbs with a golden brown tunic and high yield potential. Very good storage ability and excellent root disease resistance
Savannah Sweet	Early	Brown	Globe	Medium - large	Thin	Mildly sweet	Very slow - high tolerance	2	2½ - 3	Х	Х	Х				HR	Early maturing. High pink root resistance.
Torrent*	Medium	Golden brown	Globe to high globe	Medium - large	Thin	Mild	Medium tolerance	2	2 - 3	Х	Х	Х	Х				Firm, brown bulbs of high quality. Only for temperate regions.
Texas Grano 502 PRR (Open pollinated)	Late	Yellow	Granex	Medium - large	Medium	Mild	Average	2	2 - 3	Х	Х	Х	Х		IR		High yield potential. Intermediate resistance against pink root.

^{*} Characteristics given are affected by production methods such as soil type, nutrition, planting population, planting date and climatic conditions. Please read disclaimer.

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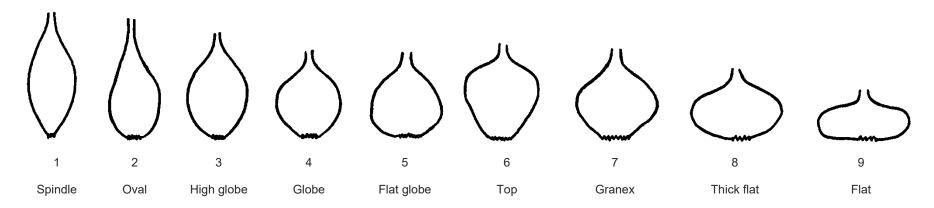
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** Onion shape key:



Disease reaction key:

IR: Intermediate resistance HR: High resistance

Abbreviation	Common disease name	Causal pathogen name					
Foc	Fusarium basal plate rot	Fusarium oxysporum f. sp. cepae					
Pt	Pink root	Phoma terrestris syn. Pyrenochaeta terrestris					

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