



Crop Report

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Category	Product	Variety	Origin	Status	Highlighted Concerns/Updates
Glasshouse	Tomatoes (round)	Ustica	Belgium, Netherlands	Amber	Morocco & Spain now virtually finished. Holland: volumes increasing. Quality generally good.
	Tomatoes (beef)	Venecia, Maximo	Belgium, Netherlands	Green	Steady availability.
	Tomatoes (plum)	Caniles	Belgium, Netherlands	Green	Steady availability.
	Tomatoes (vine)	Barbarela	Belgium, Netherlands, UK	Green	Improving yields from all sources.
	Cherry Vine		Belgium, Netherlands, UK	Green	Adequate availability from Holland. Belgium and UK volumes improving.
	Cherry	Genio	Netherlands, Spain	Green	Good availability. Yields easing back slightly.
	INCA	Various	IOW	Green	
	Baby Plum	Orange & Red	Netherlands, IOW	Green	
		Lemonstar	IOW	Green	
	Marzanino	San Marzanino	IOW	Green	
Heirloom	Ox Heart	IOW	Green		



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Glasshouse	Peppers (Bell)	Alzamera	Netherlands	Amber	Quality ok, but availability still very limited /due cold weather.
	Peppers	Sweet Pointed	Netherlands, Spain	Green	Spain limited. Holland, decent volumes.
	Cucumber	Proloog mainly	Morocco, Netherlands, Spain, UK	Green	New spring crops available, good quality. UK & Dutch production increasing.
	Chillies Green Bullet	Fresno	Egypt, Kenya, Morocco, Netherlands	Green	Egypt & Morocco seasons ending.
	Chillies Red Bullet	Fresno	As above	Green	Egypt & Morocco seasons ending.
	Chillies Green Birds Eye		Belgium, India, Kenya, Morocco, Rwanda, South Africa	Green	Egypt & Morocco seasons ending.
	Chillies	Padron	Netherlands Morocco, Spain	Amber	Limited supply.
	Aubergine		Belgium, Netherlands	Green	Little volume left from Spain. Dutch production increasing.
	Courgette	Tosc, Lagoda	Spain	Green	Spring crops are rapidly decreasing. Summer crops due to continue but with less growers doing so. Less volume is expected until UK production start at some point towards the end of next month.



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Lettuce & Leaves	Iceberg		UK	Amber	Low head weights with open leafy hearts. High pest pressure from the fleeced crops. Switching to open crops over the next 7 days.
	Little Gem	Holidae	UK	Amber	Low head weights with open leafy hearts. High pest pressure from the fleeced crops.
	Romaine	Patrona	UK	Green	Some pest pressure.
	Batavia		UK	Amber	Low head weights due to slow growth.
	Oakleaf	Alonix	UK	Amber	As above.
	Lollo Biondi	Elle	UK	Amber	As above.
	Lollo Rosso	Trajet	UK	Amber	As above.
	Fine Endive	Fina	UK, France	Amber	As above.
	Radicchio	Rubero	Italy	Green	
	Round	Various	UK	Green	



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Lettuce & Leaves	Pak Choi		UK	Amber	Some minor bolting noted, skipping beds to avoid. Pest pressure high from the fleeced crops.
	Chinese Leaf		Netherlands	Green	
	Baby Leaf Green Kale		Italy	Green	
	Bulls Blood		UK, Italy	Green	
	Red Chard	Firefresh, Abi, Galaxy, Venus	UK, Italy	Green	
	Mizuna		UK, Italy	Green	
	Watercress		UK	Green	
	Spinach	Helios, El Halo, El Fiurio, 1714,	UK	Amber	Uneven leaf size due to uneven germination.
	Rocket Wild	Sele, Juno, Yuma, Rubicon	UK, Italy	Green	
	Rocket		UK, Italy	Green	
Corn Salad		Italy, France	Amber	Low availability.	

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Potatoes	Mids.	Nectar, Orchestra, Melody, Divaa, Cultra.	UK, France, Cyprus, Egypt, Holland, Israel	Amber	Still concern that the UK could run out of potatoes at the end of the season. Finding supply remains hard, specifically Mids. Prices have moved up again, imports are being purchased to bridge the shortfall. This will not improve until July-August with new seasons supplies. Some plantings are now running behind schedule.
	Bakers	Nectar, Lanorma, Alison, Orchestra, Melody, Jelly, Cutra, Divaa	UK, France, Cyprus, Egypt, Holland, Israel	Amber	As above
	Chippers / Roasters	Maris Piper, Markies, Sagitta, Tyson	UK, France, Cyprus, Egypt, Holland, Israel	Amber	Piper showing flecks of scab and internal bruising.
	Reds	Desree, Mozart	UK	Green	
	Ware, Mashers	Various	UK, France, Cyprus, Egypt, Holland, Israel	Amber	The UK is now seeing a certain number of imports arriving to supplement likely supply gaps. Of course this is making non contracted material even more expensive farm values. With stronger demand from recent seasons, packers have been trying to build stocks for the next few months. Plans for next season are well under way which looks like being another short season as available land and seed is making the market nervous. Current spot market values likely to remain very high, increasing further, particularly for May, June and early July, hence demand for imports at fixed costs for this period.
	Premium Chipping	Agria	UK, France, Cyprus, Egypt, Holland, Israel	Amber	See comments above



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Potato	Salads	Charlotte, Jazzy, Gwenne	UK, France, Cyprus, Egypt, Holland	Amber	The main variety will be less of Charlotte and now the majority of Jazzy. It appears to be storing OK overall. Some stronger demand for salad potatoes over the last month or so, the market appears currently less volatile than maincrop whites. Long-term; Jazzy will dominate. May possibly be sampling some imported material. Charlotte seed availability a concern, meaning Jazzy will dominate even more looking forward.
	Baby Salads	Various	UK, France, Cyprus, Egypt, Holland	Red	The UK potato area planted in spring of 2023 for the 2023/2024 crop was reduced. Planting was late due to the cold wet spring weather and harvesting in Autumn 2023 was further delayed due to wet weather conditions. Not all crops were harvested. Potentially the lowest UK Potato crop on record means that overall availability is tight.
	Sweet	Beauregard	Portugal, USA	Green	
	Specialist Salads	La Ratte	UK	Green	Current stocks ok.
<p>Maris Piper remains minimal across the UK due to limited availability. price of white potatoes may surpass the Maris Piper price before the 2024 harvest, with growers holding back stocks in anticipation of further price hikes.</p> <p>Import activity into the UK persists, with ongoing shipments entering the UK from the EU, Israel, and Egypt. This follows the decision by some supermarkets to remove the Union Jack from packaging.</p>					



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Onions	Brown		Netherlands, UK	Green	
	Red		Egypt, Netherlands, UK	Green	UK: High levels of rot now being seen in stored reds which is causing an early finish to UK supply.
	Shallot	Banana	France	Green	
	Shallot	Round	France	Green	
	Spring	Giza	Egypt	Amber	Season ending; quality remains good, but bulb sizing is larger.

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Vegetables	Spring Greens	Verve, Winter Supreme, Winter Special	UK	Amber	Based on the current growing conditions. Availability remains tight, with smaller yields.
	Cauliflower	Madeo, Menez, Merzhin	UK, France	Amber	French season will finish early and put pressure on UK season to start early, though early indications are suggesting the UK start to be mid-late June. Overly wet conditions in north-western Europe negatively affected the yield potential and hampered sowing, most severely in Ireland and the UK. Conditions improved somewhat in northern and part of western France, as well as in Belgium, the Netherlands and north-western Germany, but winter crops in inadequately drained fields will not fully recover from the overly wet conditions during autumn and winter.
	Broccoli	Parthenon, Ulisses, Larsson	Spain	Red	Availability in Spain is now rapidly dropping. Most growers within the Murcia region have already finished production for the season, only strategical areas have some production left which may continue supply until the middle of next month but less week on week from now. UK production still seems a few weeks away from starting.
	White Chicory	Topscore	UK	Green	
	Red Chicory	Festive	UK	Green	
	Butternut		Brazil, South Africa	Green	
	Leeks		Belgium, Netherlands, Spain	Amber	An improvement from previous weeks following decent weather condition. There is still mix quality.
	Kale		UK, Spain	Amber	Spain – season ending approx. 10 th of June. Some dehydration but will still holding up for shelf life.



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Vegetables	White Cabbage	Vivaldi	UK	Green	Good volumes. Concerns over storage condition which could affect late season, June - July but we will monitor. Late start to new season crop.
	Red Cabbage	Alfaro	UK	Green	As above.
	Pointed Cabbage	Dutchman	Portugal, Spain	Green	UK mid-June.
	Cavolo Nero	Yurok	Spain	Amber	Spain is struggling with volumes now due to weather. Some minor quality issues caused by wet weather.
	Savoy	Clarisa	Portugal, Spain	Amber	Spain: Good raw material quality but due to supply challenges it can be variable. Portugal: Reasonable volumes though possible gap between import and UK new season.
	Celery		Spain	Green	Overall quality and weights are good.

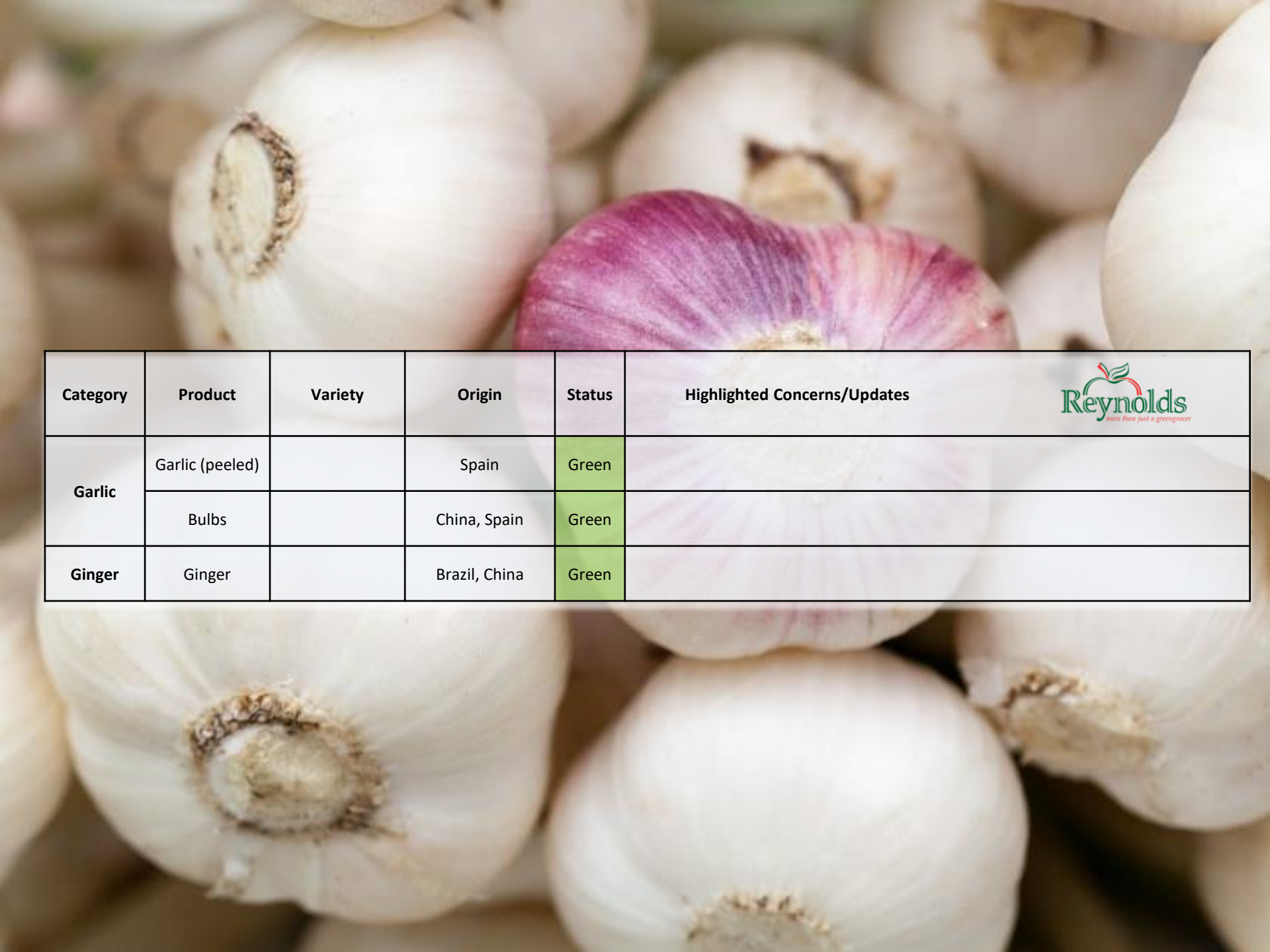
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Root Vegetables	Carrot	Nairobi, Belgrado, Milodyo, Natuna and Nantesa	Spain, Israel.	Amber	UK old crop has now finished, switching to imports. New season crop looks like it will be starting week 26 but subject to growth. Concerns over later new season crops due to late drilling. Growing conditions are important over the next month.
	Celeriac	Merga, Yara, Markiz, Codex	UK	Green	Higher levels of out-grades noted, and more root trimming required as the storage season progresses, but finished product quality remains good.
	Swede	Magres, Tweed	UK	Green	
	Mooli		Italy	Green	
	Radish		Netherlands, Italy	Green	
	Beetroot	Candy, Golden, Red	UK, Netherlands	Green	
	Vac Pac Beetroot	Red	Lithuania	Green	
	Parsnip		UK, Spain	Red	Limited volumes due to the seasonal switch in origins. UK product has almost dried up and what is available has very mixed quality. Delayed harvesting in Spain due to weather.



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Exotic Veg	Tender stem Broccoli	Inspiration F1	Kenya, Spain	Amber	<p>Kenya: largescale quality issues due to the rains and flooding of the field blocks. The rains have now ceased for the past week, and the fields are recovering, so we expect quality to improve significantly from now onwards. Availability is improving, and we will see more quantity harvested weekly from now onwards. Within 4 weeks there will be near normal quantities, and now that there is new plantings, in 12 weeks' time we should have no further issues.</p> <p>Spain: Constant downpour in Kenya Increase in temperatures in Spain negatively affecting yields.</p>
	Asparagus		UK, Peru	Amber	<p>Peru still experiencing the consequences of El Nino last year. High temperatures and strong winds affected asparagus crowns which in quality terms means stressed, smaller plants with fewer, thinner stems. Since El Nino, crowns recovered slightly however raw material availability with the top end of the spec is still limited.</p> <p>Northern Europe crops not performing.</p>
	Fennel	Various	Italy	Green	
	Fine Beans	Various	Egypt, Kenya, Morocco	Amber	Quality recovering from Kenya after frequents rains and increased temperatures in Egypt/Morocco negatively affecting yields
	Beans T&T		Kenya	Amber	As above.
	EXF Beans	Samantha	Kenya	Amber	As above.
	Sugar Snap	Sugar Lord	Kenya	Amber	Quality recovering from Kenya after frequents rains, limited availability.
	Mangetout	Sweet Horizon	Ethiopia, Guatemala, Kenya	Amber	Last Guat picks, Ethiopia low commercial volumes, Kenya heavy rains,
	Okra	Kijani	Kenya	Green	
	Turmeric		Peru	Green	
	Lemon Grass	Lemon	Kenya	Green	
	Chestnuts Vac Pack		France	Green	
Sweetcorn Vac Pack		Spain	Green		



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Exotic Vegetables	Baby Carrot		RSA	Green	New season UK in two weeks' time.
	Baby Leek		RSA	Green	
	Baby Aubergine	Black Beauty	Kenya	Green	
	Baby Courgette		RSA	Green	
	Baby Beetroot		RSA	Green	
	Baby Sweetcorn	SG18	Kenya	Green	
	Baby Fennel		RSA	Amber	Low availability.



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Garlic	Garlic (peeled)		Spain	Green	
	Bulbs		China, Spain	Green	
Ginger	Ginger		Brazil, China	Green	





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Mushrooms	Mix		Various	Green	
		Dried Cep	Various	Green	
	Wild		Various	Green	
		Shitake	Belgium, Netherlands, Ukraine	Green	
		Trompette Dried	Various	Green	
		White Shimeji	China	Green	
		Brown Shimeji	China	Green	
	Dry Wild Mix		Various	Green	
		Eyrngi	China, Germany, Korea	Green	
		Enoki	Demark	Amber	Potential availability issues.
		Button	Ireland, Poland	Green	
		Brown Chestnut	Ireland, Poland	Green	
		White Agaricus bisporous	Ireland, Poland	Green	
		White Oyster	China, Germany, Korea, Poland	Green	



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Soft Fruit	Strawberries	Elsanta, Leticia	Belgium, Netherlands, Spain	Amber	Spain and Morocco is coming to an end; quality is holding. It remains to be seen how it will go with the transition from the Spanish strawberries to UK.
	Raspberries	Adelita	Spain	Amber	Current quality ok, though production has been affected by bad weather in autumn and winter.
	Redcurrants	Rovada	Netherlands	Green	
	Blackberries	Berryum	Spain	Green	Improved weather conditions helping to improve quality.
	Blueberries	Various	Spain	Green	Improved weather conditions helping to improve quality.



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Citrus	Lemon	Eureka	RSA	Green	
	Orange	Valencia	Egypt	Green	
	Easy Peeler	Satsuma	Peru	Green	
	White Grapefruit	Marsh	Turkey	Green	
	Red Grapefruit	Star Ruby	Turkey	Green	
	Limes	Tahiti	Brazil	Amber	Delayed containers presenting a challenge to the quality of the product. Vessels not stopping off in the UK but heading straight to Europe. Increased reliance on feeder vessels to bring the containers to the U.K.
Grape	White	Thompson	India	Green	Good quality.
		Early Sweet / Prime	Egypt	Green	1st arrivals expected end of week 22. Quality expectations are for a good season.
	Red	Flame	Egypt	Green	1st arrivals expected end of week 22. Quality expectations are for a good season
	Black	Sharad	India	Green	Good quality.

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Exotic Fruit	Passion Fruit		Colombia, Kenya	Green	
	Green Papaya		Brazil	Green	
	Papaya		Brazil	Green	
	Figs		Brazil, Israel, Turkey	Green	
	Physalis		Colombia	Amber	Low availability, though enough to cover current orders.
	Kiwifruit	Hayward	Chile	Green	
	Dates	Medjool	Israel	Green	
	Pomegranate	Wonderful	Peru	Green	Overall quality is good, strong sugars as the orchards are in the north of Peru.
	Mango	Kent	Ivory Coast	Green	Prone to some shrivelling but this is typical for this source and doesn't affect the internal quality of the fruit - it is purely cosmetic. There are no notable issues with the fruit currently. Fruit is internally pale, though this is also typical of the fruit.
	Banana Leaf		Thailand	Green	



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Pineapple	Pineapple	MD2	Costa Rica	Green	
Bananas	Banana	Cavendish	Costa Rica	Green	
			Guatemala	Green	
			Colombia	Green	
			Belize	Green	
			Dominican Republic	Green	
			Ecuador	Green	
			Panama	Green	
			Nicaragua	Green	
			Ivory Coast	Green	



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Avocado	Avocado	Hass	Colombia	Amber	Some skin defects seen in Colombian fruit (lenticel and scarring), these are being graded out within production. Sizes are much smaller in the Traviesa crop than expected.
			Brazil	Green	
			Peru	Amber	No issues with quality. Peruvian crop is starting 4-5 weeks later than planned and will finish 4 weeks earlier. Smaller calibres are expected comparing to previous years. Crop is down approx. 30% year on year.
			Kenya	Amber	Lower availability following heavy rains. Quality can be mixed.
			Tanzania	Amber	Quality ok. Extended shipping route vs prior season (red sea conflict).
			Zimbabwe	Green	
			South Africa	Amber	Ongoing delay of vessels from both South Africa ports following weather issues impacting their stock availability in the coming weeks. Potential internal issues to be seen.

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Herbs	Basil		Kenya	Green	
	Basil Thai		Kenya	Green	
	Bay Leaf		Morocco	Green	
	Coriander		UK, France	Green	
	Chervil		UK, France, Italy	Green	
	Chives		Kenya, UK	Green	
	Curly Parsley		UK, France	Green	
	Dill		France, Spain	Green	
	Flat Parsley		UK, France, Italy	Green	Few markings in leaf. No UK at present so utilising French/ & Italian which typically have longer stalks.
	Lemon Thyme		Kenya	Green	
	Lime Leaves		Morocco, Spain	Green	
	Lovage		Morocco, Spain	Green	
	Marjoram		Kenya, Spain, Morocco	Green	

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Herbs	Mint	Spear	Kenya, UK	Green	
	Oregano		Kenya, Morocco	Green	
	Rosemary		Italy, Kenya	Amber	Kenya – low availability.
	Sage		Italy	Green	
	Sorrel		Morocco	Green	
	Tarragon		Morocco, Spain	Green	
	Thyme		Italy, Kenya	Amber	Kenya – low availability

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Cress and Shoots	Basil Cress	Sweet Genovese	UK	Green	
	Coriander Cress		UK	Green	
	Rocket Cress	Victoria	UK	Green	
	Cress Affilla		UK	Green	
	Cress Mustard	Rape Seed 95%, Cress seed 5%	UK	Green	
	Cress Shiso		UK	Green	
	Cress Tahoon		UK	Amber	Subject to quantities ordered
	Growing Tendrill Pea		UK	Green	
	Mixed Sakura Cress		UK	Green	
	Peashoots	SPEA 4018	UK	Green	
	Basil Lemon Cress		UK	Green	
	Parsley Cress		UK	Green	
	Red Cabbage		UK	Amber	Subject to quantities being ordered.
	Daikon Cress		UK	Green	
	Thai Basil Cress		UK	Green	

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Cress and Shoots	Bean sprouts	Mung Beans- Viagna Radiata L. Wilczek	UK	Green	
	Alaskan Nasturtium Leaf		UK	Red	Gap in production, new crop min 2 weeks.
	Amaranth Red Cress Micro		UK	Green	
	Apple Blossom		UK	Green	
	Basil Red Cress Micro		UK	Green	
	Blue Oyster Flowers		UK	Green	
	Blue Pepe Nasturtium Leaf		UK	Red	Gap in production, new crop min 2 weeks.
	Borage Flowers		UK	Green	
	Bronze Fennel		UK	Green	
	Bulls Blood Micro Chard		UK	Green	
	Corn Flowers		UK	Amber	New crop budding nicely, yield expected to improve.
	Cucumber Flowers		UK	Green	
	Edible Pansy Flowers		UK	Green	
	Edible Rose Petals		UK	Green	
	Fennel Cress Micro		UK	Green	

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Cress and Shoots	Flowers Edible Mixed		UK	Green	
	Golden Pea Shoots		UK	Green	
	Micro Celery Cress		UK	Green	
	Micro Choc Mint Cress		UK	Green	
	Micro Cress		UK	Green	
	Micro Flat Leaf Parsley		UK	Green	
	Micro Ice Lettuce		UK	Green	
	Micro Lemon Balm Cress		UK	Green	
	Micro Mint Cress		UK	Green	
	Micro Purple Shiso		UK	Green	
	Micro Salad Mix		UK	Green	
	Micro Thyme		UK	Green	
	Micro Watercress Shoots		UK	Green	
	Mix Taste of the Sea Box		UK	Green	
Mizuna Cress Micro		UK	Green		

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Cress and Shoots	Popcorn Shoots		UK	Green	
	Nasturtium Flowers		UK	Green	
	Oyster Leaves		UK	Green	
	Red Veined Sorrel		UK	Green	
	Rock Chives		UK	Green	
	Salty Fingers		UK	Green	
	Samphire		Morocco / Israel	Green	
	Sea Aster		UK	Green	
	Sea Beet		UK	Green	
	Sea Buckshorn		UK	Green	
	Sea Fennel		UK	Green	
	Sea Purslane		UK	Green	
	Sea Rosemary		UK	Green	
	Sechuen / Buzz Button		UK	Green	



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Cress & Shoots	Shiso LGE Leaf Green		UK	Green	
	Tagete Flowers		UK	Green	
	Bellis Daisy		UK	Green	
	Marigold Flowers		UK	Green	
	Fennel Crowns		UK	Red	Crop expected Mid to end of June.
	Courgette Flowers		UK	Green	
	Viola Flowers		UK	Green	
	Wheat Grass		UK	Green	