



TOZER SEEDS

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SALAD ONIONS





About Us

Tozer Seeds is an independent British vegetable breeding company, founded in 1939. Initially a local company, by the 1970's Tozer Seeds was supplying seed to commercial growers across the UK. Today we have offices in Spain and in the USA, and our seed is sold and grown across the globe through our network of distributors.

Vision

We aim to provide consistent quality of seed and services whilst continuing the company tradition of innovation within plant breeding. We strive to ensure that all the seed we produce is of the highest germination and that it is healthy and pure.

As an independent company we are able to work very closely with our customers to provide the vegetable varieties they require in a continuously changing marketplace. We aim to develop strong relationships with customers, suppliers and other partners throughout the supply chain.

Vegetable Seed Expertise

We have been breeding award winning varieties for over 74 years. We maintain a large product assortment ranging from exciting niche varieties to internationally grown market leaders. Our staff are knowledgeable, passionate and committed, our product development team carry out product variety trials around the world in order to build up an extensive knowledge and understanding of our products and their capabilities.

Future

Whilst our business continues to develop in areas across the globe, Tozer Seeds remains an independent vegetable seed breeder and supplier. Emphasis lies on developing new and innovative products with excellent field performance together with distinct characteristics such as improved flavour, to enable growers to produce crops of the highest quality.

Salad Onions

Our breeding work on salad onions began with the incorporation of winter hardiness into traditional *Allium cepa* - White Lisbon types. More recently we have produced Ramrod; a very winter hardy variety with erect stiffer leaves, followed by Eiffel; an erect, stiff leaved, slower to bulb variety for summer and winter use. Our red variety Apache is used extensively by processors who require a red salad onion with increased layers of red skin and is widely recognised as the best coloured, red salad onion available. Our interspecific variety Guardsman is one of the very few commercially significant *A. cepa* x *A. fistulosum* types obtainable from any seed company, this variety has proven to be consistent and reliable in the considerable Mexican/US production zones and we have invested considerable effort into improving seed quality over the past decade.

Our aim is to further develop improved *A. cepa* x *A. fistulosum* types and increase the assortment of *A. fistulosum* varieties in the near future.



Technical Specifications Salad Onions

Variety		Erectness	Peelability	Ease of lifting	Bulbing	Height (cm)	Shank length (cm)	White/red length (cm)	Comments
Eiffel	Allium cepa	3	3	4	3	50-55	9	3	Versatile variety – very upright leaves shed water quickly.
Ramrod	Allium cepa	3	3	4	3	60-65	11	4	Can be used for producing larger, bolder type salad onions. Exceptional winter hardiness.
White Lisbon	Allium cepa	3	4	5	3	55-60	10	3	Original variety for salad onion market.
Apache	Allium cepa	3	4	5	3	50-55	9	6	Red skinned variety with mild flavour and crisp texture.
Guardsman	A. cepa x A. fistulosum	5	2	2	4	65-70	15	3	Has a vigorous root system which helps to maintain upright leaves.
Sentry	Allium fistulosum	5	4	4	5	55-60	14	5	Vary tall, suitable for summer and autumn crops.
Summer Isle	Allium fistulosum	5	4	4	5	50-55	12	3	Has a sweet flavour and a lower pungency.
Shimonita	Allium fistulosum	5	5	3	5	45-50	10	4	Has a sweet mild flavour, can mature to a size comparable with leeks.

Erectness

1 = less erect
5 = very erect

Peelability

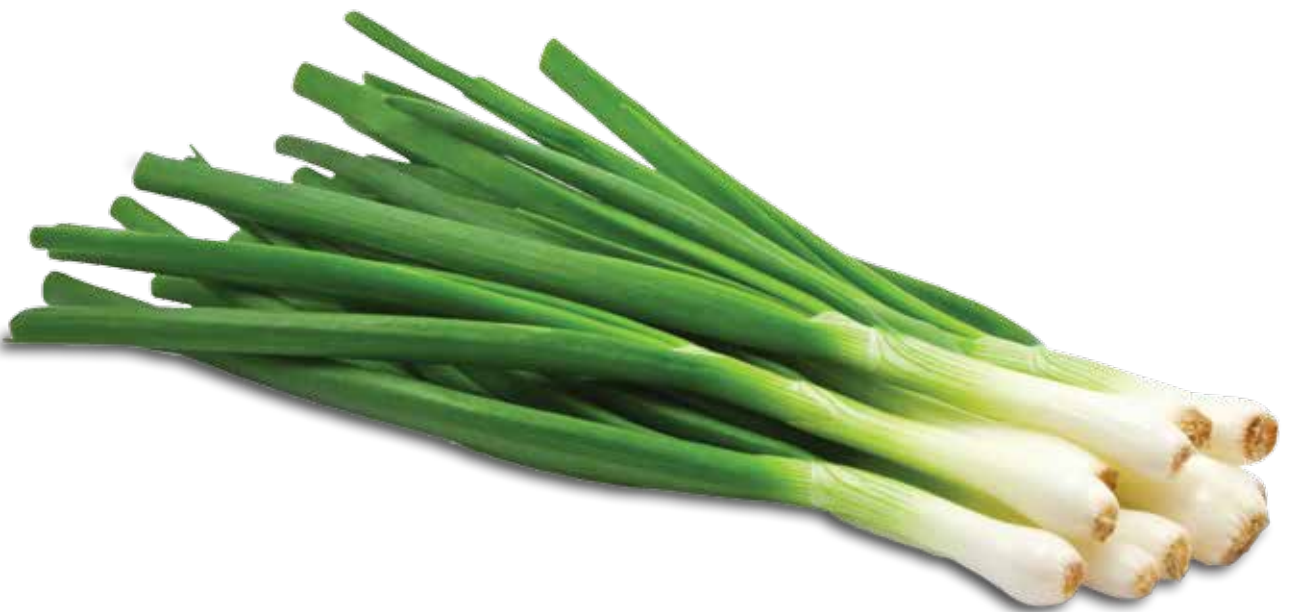
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5 = very easy

Ease of Lifting

1 = less easy
5 = very easy

Bulbing

1 = bulby
5 = not bulby



The information that has been provided is an average of the data gathered from various trial locations under UK conditions. Please be aware that variations in the growing environment and climatic conditions can render this information inaccurate. It is intended for general guidance only.



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