

OLIVER KAY

Fresh Produce Update

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Fruit Of The Week



Green Papaya

Thai origin. Shred to add a great crunch to slaws and salads.

Veg Of The Week



Jersey Royals

Now in season. Delicious boiled and served with butter.

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Quality Update

Key: ● = Alert ● = Warning ● = Resolved / For Info

CODE	PRODUCT	MARKET SITUATION	PHYSICAL CONDITION	COMMENTS/ACTION
75057 75043	Lamb's Lettuce	Still out of stock due to raw material quality issues at the end of season.	Crop is very delicate and breaking down during transit.	Substituting with watercress.
All Codes	Capsicum Peppers	Fruit either very large or smaller in size - lack of mid range sizes. Mainly Spanish but with some new season Dutch now coming through.	Spanish origin is of mixed quality with increased skin marking and reduced life in larger fruit. Using bicouleur for pre-packs were required.	Colour flashing permitted for class 1 and present in all colours.
All codes	Tomato	Continued shortages in the market. Sourcing from numerous countries of origin to ensure supply.	Some batches under colour but general quality has improved. Now seeing more Dutch origin coming through. Tunisian beef tomato at the lower end of the size range.	Individual fruit for 75596 code will range from 47 – 82mm in diameter.
99769	Intense Tomato	Supply improved.	Some softness.	Will use normal plum if required.
55724	Ungraded Mushroom	Will include some trays of chestnut variety.	Quality good.	Information only.
75456	Yellow onion 60-80mm 25kgs	Egyptian origin.	Quality good. Meets min size grade but looks small as squat in shape.	Information only.

Additional Information

UK: Some UK savoy now available. **Wild Garlic:** is now in season and available to pre-order, please speak to account manager to arrange. **Jersey Royals** are now in season with stock available.

Seasonal Update We are now in the main seasonal shoulder for salad crops moving over from North African / Spanish supply to the Netherlands and UK. During this period we will see a natural dip in quality and shelf-life as old plants finish fruiting and delicate new crops reach maturity. Please be aware that packaging formats and case sizes may also change as we move to different countries of origin.

Shipping Delays: Our banana supplier has reported some delays in UK cargo ship arrivals which may impact ripening mid week. They will do their best to accommodate for the delay during the ripening process but some deliveries maybe more green in colour than usual. Please warm keep in original sealed packaging for best results.