

OLIVER KAY

Fresh Produce Update

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Fruit Of The Week



Limes

New season Mexican origin. Versatile fruit, used in both savoury and sweet dishes.

Veg Of The Week



Hispi/ Sweetheart Cabbage

UK origin. Great roasted with nuts or used in slaws.

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Quality Update

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

CODE	PRODUCT	MARKET SITUATION	PHYSICAL CONDITION	COMMENTS/ACTION
75612 75634	Spring Onions	Egyptian crop coming to an end.	Some internal growth noted and odd dehydration to leaves.	Use quickly and avoid storing.
98628 75331 79147 84901	Hydro-cooled Carrots	End of stored crop. Last few weeks before imports begin.	Starting to see reduced shelf-life in isolated batches.	Ensure stock kept refrigerated.
07391 07389 32213 78975	Mangetout/ Sugar Snap Peas	Limited supply/ volume. Using either product to cover all codes.	Quality is good	Information only.
09509	Cauliflower	No imports available. Limited UK crop.	Some curds may be darker in colour and smaller in size.	Information only.
All Codes	Capsicum Peppers & Tomatoes	Dutch/ Belgian supply.	Good quality. Some batches of tomatoes may be slightly under colour.	Information only.
75456	Yellow onion 50-80mm	Limited availability	Increased internal defects noted in some batches.	Lower yield at present.
77882 75323 75318	Easy Peel Citrus	New Southern hemisphere crop. De-greened	Some green flashing to skins. Taste may be sharp for initial batches due to immaturity.	Information only.
09341 75352	Savoy Cabbage	Limited imports. Using UK hispi cabbage as a substitute.	Quality of both imported Savoy and UK hispi is very good.	Information only.

Additional Information

UK:

We expect to start seeing English **asparagus** deliveries towards the end of this week. Yorkshire **rhubarb** has now moved from indoor to outdoor grown.

Supply Update:

Virtually all **capsicum peppers** and **tomatoes** are now Belgian or Dutch in origin. Quality and sizes are good and all colours of peppers are now available. Some batches of new tomatoes may be under colour at first but this will improve as the season progresses. We currently have no supply of **Chantenay carrots** available due to poor quality at the end of season. The new crop is expected from next week.