

OLIVER KAY

Fresh Produce Update

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Fruit Of The Week



Strawberry

UK fruit now in season. Current variety is Magnum. Ideal in desserts or pickled.

Veg Of The Week



Spring Greens

Grown in Lancashire, great for spring /summer dishes.

Quality Update

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

| CODE | PRODUCT | MARKET SITUATION | PHYSICAL CONDITION | COMMENTS/ACTION |
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| 75634 75612 | Spring Onion | Short Supply. Using a mix of over wintered UK, Egyptian and German. | UK and Egyptian crop of mixed quality and reduced shelf-life. | Use quickly and avoid storing. |
| 75185 75389 | Aubergine | Dutch crop. | Experiencing problems with breakdown to stem ends. | Use quickly and avoid storing. |
| 75197 75417 | Green Courgette | Spanish origin. | Some softness to flower ends towards of crop. | Use quickly. |
| 08061 75405 75246 43124 | Jacket Potato | Stored UK crop running out and imported crop not of sufficient size. | We will be using a 2 for 1 portion option until new season jackets are available. | 30's will be 60 count, 40's an 80 count and 50's a 100 count. |
| 75194 75634 | Kiwi Fruit | Shortage of European fruit. New Zealand not yet available. | Reduced shelf-life in Italian crop. | Use quickly. |
| 75585 75456 | Yellow onion 50-80mm | EU Stored Crop running very low. Having to use Egyptian imports. | Internal defects to a low number of bulbs in some batches. | Extra preparation may be required. |
| 75323 75318 | Easy Peeler Citrus | New season South African. | Tastes good but pale colour. | Information only. |
| 98628 75331 79147 84901 | Hydro-cool Carrot | Seasonal Gap. End of UK crop moving to imported for next few weeks. | Reduced shelf-life for end of UK. Imported roots will have a dryer appearance. | Keep refrigerated to ensure quality. |

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Additional Information

Seasonal /Supply Update:

Mangetout & Sugar Snap: Still experiencing shortages so substituting one for the other as required.

Stone Fruit: New season European stone fruit is now coming in to season. Yellow peaches and nectarines are in stock with apricot and cherry to follow.

UK: Asparagus, Jersey Royals, Rhubarb, Heritage Tomatoes and Lettuce all in season and looking good. New season UK **Broccoli, cauliflower and courgettes** have been delayed due to the weather but should be starting harvest over the next couple of weeks with savoy to follow. **English/Scottish Strawberries** are here at last and both look and taste superb.