

Crop: Butternut

Production season	Best grown in summer between August and March.		
Area to plant	1ha/10 000m ² (100m x 100m)	1000m ² (20m x 50m)	100m ² (10m x 10m)
Seed required	2 kg-4 kg	200g-400g	20g-40g
Plant population	10 000-15 000	1 000-1 500	100-150
Plant spacing in row	50cm-70cm		
Spacing between rows	120cm to 150cm		
Compound D Fertilizer kg/ha	400-600	40-60	42525
AN Top dressing kg/ha	200	20	2
Manure kg/ha	10 000-15 000	1 000-1 500	100-250
Days to Harvest	60 to 120 days depending on the variety		
Harvest duration	30 days		
Aphids, Pumpkin Fly are the common pests and Powdery Mildew, Anthracnose are some of the diseases. For their control see various chemical label application options.			
Irrigation	Overhead, Pivot are suitable methods. Ensure the soil is moist at all times.		
Post-harvest handling	Heads are cut and harvested individually		
Normal packaging	Heads/Pockets	Heads/Pockets	Heads/Pockets
Estimated Yield (kg/ha)	20 000 -30 000	2 000-3000	200-300

