

Name	TYPE	Blight	Scab	Eelworm	Colour/shape	Comments
Name (Date of introduction)		Disease resistant rating	** Good * Fair			Yield. Extra disease/pests info. Advice on growing. Waxy /Floury . Taste. Cooking choices.
Anya (1995)	Salad		**		Pink . Long and semi knobbly	Pink Fir / Desiree cross. Distinctive nutty flavour. Good slug resistance. Boil./ Steam.
Arran Pilot (1930)	1 st E	*	**	*	White tubers. variable in size and shape.	Good yield. Resistance to drought; slugs. Needs reasonable soil conditions to do best. Early to mature. Waxy. Mild flavour. Good for steaming.
Cara (1976)	M	**	**	**	Pinky white with red eyes. Short Oval.	High yielding and stores well. Robust.. Resistance to drought; slugs and potato cyst nematode. Floury. Mild flavour. Good general purpose spud.
Carolus NEW	M	***			Oval. Yellow with red eyes. Yellow flesh.	New blight resisting variety - replacement for Sarpo Mira. Good for storing. Slightly floury so good for chips, roast. Recommended for flavour.
Casablanca (2009)	1 st E	*	**	*	White with creamy flesh. Round.	Good cropper with high number of uniform tubers. Resistant to Golden eelworm and blackleg. Can be lifted as early or grown on as main crop. Slightly floury. Many uses but not for mash. AGM
Charlotte (1981)	Salad 2 nd E	*	*	*	Creamy yellow. Long Oval. Uniform tubers.	Reliable and high yielding. Easy to grow. Best seller nationally. Resistance to blackleg and slugs. Excellent flavour. Waxy. Steam/boil. AGM
Desiree (1962)	M	*	**	*	Long red oval.	World's most popular red. High yield. Does well on heavier, poorer soils. <u>Very drought resistant.</u> Delia's favourite. Strong flavour. Waxy. Good general purpose spud.
Foremost (1954)	1 st E	*	**	*	White. Short oval.	Large tubers. Slug resistance. Firm waxy flesh. Excellent flavour and does not disintegrate when boiled. AGM
Gemson (2007)	Salad 2 nd E	*	*	*	Uniform short oval white tubers	A 'Maris Peer' cross. Good disease resistance. Ideal for growing in bags. Firm texture with flavour . Good for steaming and boiling, roasts.
Kestrel (1992)	2 nd E	**	*	**	Attractive white with blue eyes. Uniform shape.	High yielding . Resistance to slugs and blackleg. Floury. Good flavour. Good multipurpose spud , esp mash.
King Edward (1902)	M		**	*	White, red eyes. Oval.	Traditional favourite. High yields. Long growing season. Likes rich soil but not too heavy or sandy. Floury. Great taste. Good multi purpose spud.
Lady Christl (1996)	1 st E	*	**	**	Pale cream/white skin. Oval	Very early. High yield and quick to bulk. Good in containers. Leave in ground to grow as 2 nd early. Good skin. Keeps well. Creamy waxy flesh. .Stays firm on cooking, use as new potato. Good for boiling . AGM

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Nicola (1973)	Salad 2 nd E		*	**	Long creamy yellow oval	Small firm waxy salad/boiling spud. Good flavour. Nice skin.
Pentland Javelin (1968)	1 st E	*	**	**	White. Oval.	Easy to grow. High yielding. Resistance to slugs. Good disease resistance. Waxy. Mild flavour. Good for boiling and general use
Picasso (1992)	M	*	**	**	Attractive white with red eyes. Oval.	High yield. Good storage. Bred from 'Cara'. Semi-waxy. Firm. Good taste. Very good general purpose spud AGM
Pink Fir Apple (1850)	Salad M	*	**	*	Pink with butter yellow flesh. Long knobbly tubers.	One of oldest varieties still in cultivation. Good storage. Waxy. Excellent flavour. Best cooked whole in their skins, eaten hot or cold. Steam . Great fried when cold. AGM
Record (1932)	M	*	**		Oval. Yellow brown skin, yellow flesh	Popular in Ireland. High drought resistance. Favourite of organic 'guru' Lawrence Hills. Good flavour. Multipurpose spuds with high dry matter so great for baking, chipping.
Red Duke of York (1942)	1 st E	*	**	*	Deep red with yellow flesh.Oval.	Large and vigorous grower. Lift for a nice red 1 st early or leave to bulk up as 2 nd early. Large tubers Great flavour. Flourey. Good general purpose spud , makes great chips (M&S heritage crisps) AGM
Rooster (1991)	M	**	*	*	Red skin and yellow flesh. Oval	The major variety in Ireland. Good flavour. High 'dry matter' so great for chips, roasts , wedges etc. Good general purpose spud.
Sharpes Express (1900)	1 st E		**		Creamy skin and flesh. Long oval.	Very good flavour. High dry matter. Good to steam and roast. Do not boil – STEAM. Favourite of the TV gardener Percy Thrower
Vivaldi (@2006)	2 nd E	*	**	*	Yellow skinned with pale yellow flesh. Oval.	Sainsbury 'Taste the Difference' choice. Good large crop. Good all purpose spud. Eat early as baby new or leave to bulk up. Very smooth texture = great mash.
Winston (1992)	1 st E	**	**	*	White/ Cream. Oval.	Firm waxy flesh. Early large uniform tubers. Good flavour. Show winner. Drought resistance. AGM
1 st EARLY	Plant Feb – April			Harvest May – August.		Plant under cover for <i>really</i> early crops. Delicate new potato flavour when steamed / boiled
2 nd EARLY	Plant Mar – May			Harvest July - Sept		Heavier yields, great taste. Short term storage
MAIN	Plant April to May			Harvest Sept - Oct		Robust, heaviest yields. Long term winter storage
AGM	Royal Horticultural Society's Award of Garden Merit – awarded after thorough testing = mark of excellence					

n.b. A Heritage potato is one introduced before 1950