

Asian cucumber The ultimate cucumber for stir-fry

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Chinese-type cucumber for high-tech cultivation A taste of modern

Asian cuisine

In Western cuisine cucumbers are usually eaten raw, such as in salads or as a snack. But in Asia the cucumber is widely used in stir-fry dishes too. The texture of the cucumbers used in Asian cuisine differs from that of the European 'long cucumber', which makes them suitable for stir-frying. That's why Rijk Zwaan introduced a new cucumber variety that is ideal for use in the wok, bringing a taste of modern Asian cuisine to the Western world.

New consumer category

According to research only 20% of Western consumers currently use cucumbers in their stir-fries. The main disadvantages of traditional cucumbers are flavour loss, high moisture content and lack of firmness. Tests with the new Asian cucumber show that, after stir-frying, it retains its bite, taste, juiciness, crunchiness and shape much better than the long cucumber.

Research also reveals that many consumers don't even realise that cucumbers can be used in stir-fries. Hence, the new Asian cucumber creates a great opportunity to add a new category to the cucumber range: the wok cucumber. **Developed for high-tech production** The Asian cucumber is traditionally grown in solar greenhouses in China. Rijk Zwaan's breeders have now developed the new Asian cucumber, Wokcue RZ, especially for modern high-tech greenhouses. This means that cultivation of this variety is comparable to the long cucumber.

Wokcue RZ at a glance

Wokcue RZ is a Chinese-type cucumber that produces straight, dark green spined fruits with a small cavity. It has a sweet flavour and the flesh is quite dry as it has a much higher dry matter content than long English cucumbers. This makes Wokcue RZ excellent for wok dishes and Chinese salads and a nice addition in the Western cucumber assortment. The crop is female flowering and single fruited. This is the first Chinese type that is suitable for high-tech greenhouse cultivation and is recommended for spring, summer and autumn cultivation in glasshouses.





Wokcue RZ F1

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- III CMV/CVYV/Cca III ZYMV/Px (ex Sf)
- Long cucumber variety with a small seed cavity
- Dark green striped, straight fruit with spines
- Single fruited, approx. 32 cm

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