

EDWARD VINSON PLANTS LIMITED

Caroline

Primocane Raspberry

Edward Vinson Plants is pleased to offer a new primocane raspberry to the UK market.

Origin

Caroline has been bred by Dr Harry Swartz of the University of Maryland, USA. Dr Swartz has been breeding raspberries for 25 years and has introduced a successful portfolio of varieties in his own country.

Characteristics

Whilst *Caroline* has not been fully evaluated in the UK, it was grown in a small commercial trial by Edward Vinson Limited during the 2003 growing season. Although these plants did not produce a full yield in their first year the resultant crop was encouraging.

This experience leads us to believe that *Caroline* has a future for Northern European production (early August - late October) and a similar yield to *Joan Squire*, with improved fruit size in the second part of the season.

Marketing Suitability

The variety is renowned for its good flavour in the USA and our experience to date suggests that the flavour and firmness characteristics of *Caroline* will make it suitable for the supermarket sector.

Caroline is protected by European Plant Variety Rights and unauthorised propagation is illegal.

Availability

We expect a good availability of plants in 7 cm pots for delivery in Spring 2005.

Limited numbers of bare root canes will be available this Autumn.



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