

Introduction_

Recommended for wide range of conditions in the hinterland and midlands regions.

Best features_

Suitable for humic and sandy soils. Low RV content therefore need to age the cane or apply ripeners. Generally has good disease resistance.

Limiting features_

Marginally low RV content in humic soils therefore need to age the cane or apply ripeners. Prone to lodging due to high cane yields. Intermediate susceptible to smut. Initial observations are that this variety is susceptible to YSA and thrips.

Yield & quality_



The performance of a variety will vary under different conditions and levels of management. For refined yield and quality information, please consult the SASRI Variety Guide at www.sasri.org.za/varietyguide, where you will be able to rank this variety against others of your choice based on your specific area, irrigation regime, cutting cycle, soil potential and time of harvest.

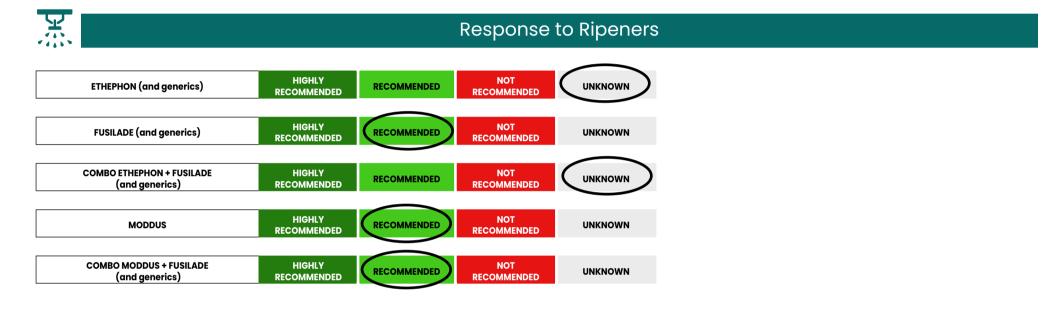






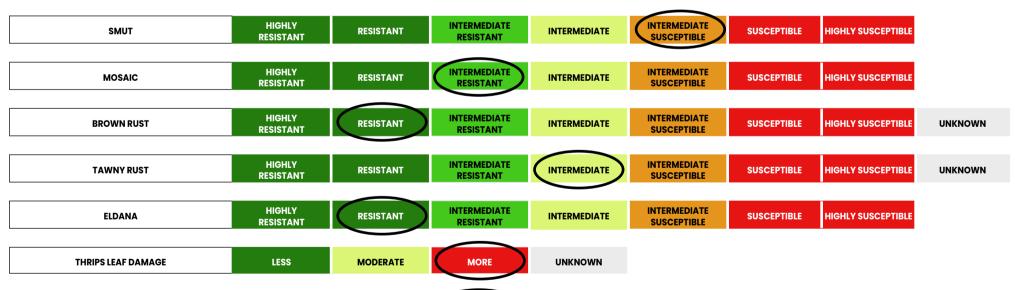
Varietal Traits

Management Factors	Soil Potential	Agronomic Characteristics
EARLY SEASON HARVEST YES NO	LOW POTENTIAL YES NO	GERMINATION ABILITY FAST MODERATE SLOW
MID-SEASON HARVEST YES NO	AVERAGE POTENTIAL YES NO	CANOPY DEVELOPMENT FAST MODERATE SLOW
LATE SEASON HARVEST YES NO	HIGH POTENTIAL YES NO	STALK POPULATION HIGH MODERATE LOW
SUITABILITY FOR CARRYOVER YES NO		STALK HEIGHT TALL MODERATE SHORT
SUITABILITY FOR FROST POCKETS YES NO UNKNOWN		FLOWERING SPARSE MODERATE PROFUSE
		LODGING ERECT AVERAGE SEVERE
		TOLERANCE TO WATER STRESS GOOD MODERATE POOR UNKNOWN
		TOLERANCE TO WATER LOGGING GOOD MODERATE POOR UNKNOWN



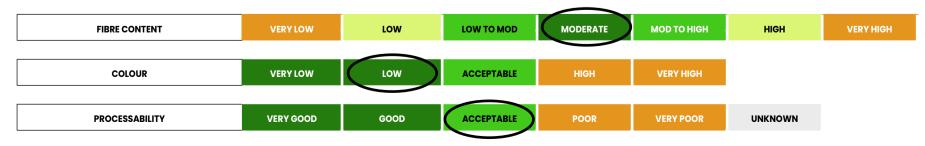


Reaction to Pests & Diseases











N62 Identification Guide

Leaf_

Blade: Broad and upright and erect leaves with yellow spots confined to midrib.

Sheath: Yellow green with purple tinge and has no hairs.

Collar: Slightly darker green than the rest of the stalk.

Auricle: Absent.

Stalk_

internede	
Appearance:	The internodes have a cylindrical shape have a yellowish colour and yellow green on exposure to sun. They have distinct corky markings.

- **Wax band:** Narrow and well defined.
- Bud furrow: Present but not on all the internodes.

Node

- **Growth ring:** Distinct with darker colour than the rest of the stalk and sometimes bends over the bud.
- **Root band:** Same colour as the stalk with protruding and bumpy primordia.
- Sheath scar: Protruding.
- Bud: Round in shape and is within the root band.
- Flange: Present and mostly visible on the top half of the bud.





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