



TECHNICAL AND MARKETING GUIDE

- High yield potential
- Excellent standing ability
- Early to mature
- Easy to harvest
- Good grain quality
- Ideally suited for the premium export market

All data is a partial extraction from the NIAB/PGRO 2006 Spring Bean Recommended List available at www.niab.com or www.pgro.org



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SUMMARY

Nile is a high yielding spring bean with a pale skin and hilum ideally suited for the premium human consumption export market. It has all the best attributes of Victor, well established in this market, with a yield advantage and superior downy mildew resistance. Nile is easy to grow being moderately short with excellent standing ability and is early to mature.

BREEDER AND AGENT

Breeder: Limagrain Advanta Nederland b.v.

Agent: Nickerson

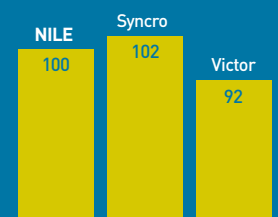
STATUS

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HIGH YIELDING

YIELD

(% mean of untreated controls)



Nile has a good yield potential, superior to Victor and comparable with Syncro.

EXCELLENT AGRONOMIC CHARACTERS

	NILE	Victor	Syncro
Earliness of Ripening	8	8	7
Shortness of Straw	6	7	6
Standing Ability at Harvest	8	8	7

Nile has an ideal combination of agronomic characters being moderately short with excellent standing power and early to ripen.

DISEASE RESISTANCE

	NILE	Victor	Syncro
RESISTANCE TO:			
Downy Mildew	5	3	7

Nile is moderately resistant to downy mildew and is likely to require a fungicide in some situations. It is, however, superior to Victor for resistance to this disease.

GRAIN QUALITY AND MARKETING

	NILE	Victor	Syncro
Thousand Seed Weight (gms)	478	476	500
Protein content %	27.9	27.2	28.4

Nile has a large seed and pale skin making it attractive to the small, but important, market in the Middle East for human consumption beans. The top end of this market attracts additional premiums which UK growers have historically satisfied with Victor. Nile is also suitable for this premium export market and has been a finalist in the Maviga Cup (BEPA Human Consumption Bean Competition) for 5 years and took 1st prize in 2004. Buyers for this valuable market have reported Nile to have a good taste, superior to Victor.