

CIRAD102 (Tahiti messien)

Edition: 2026

IDENTITY

Species	<i>Dioscorea alata</i>
Origin	n.d.
Origin centre code	CRB36
Supplier	CRB
CIRAD code	CRB36
DOI	n.d.
Year of introduction	2023
Evaluation period	2022-2025

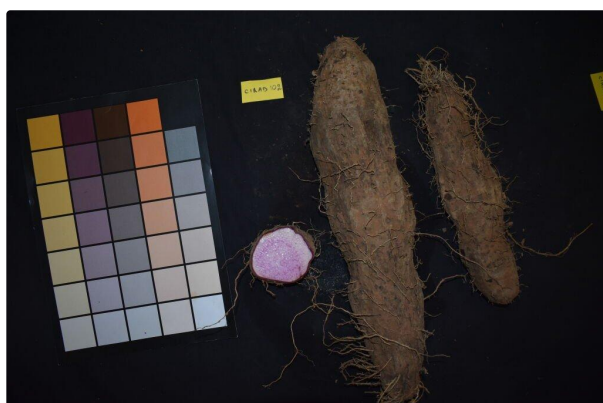
Variety strengths:

- Good yield
- Tolerance to anthracnose and to rust
- Good cooking quality
- No storage rot (1 month)

DESCRIPTION

ABOVE-GROUND PARTS

Stem	Bulbils	None
	Colour	Purplish green
Leaf	Shape	Broad sagittate
	Texture	Soft
Petiole	Colour	Fully green with both ends purple



BELOW-GROUND PARTS

Tuber	Flesh appearance	Granular
	Flesh colour	Purple with white
	Roots	Low
Skin	Thickness	Thick
	Phelloderm	Light purple

QUALITY

Storage rot (1 month)	None
Flesh colour	Purple with white
Cooking oxidation	None
Boiled quality	Good

Evaluation sites in Guadeloupe



- Roujol (Petit-Bourg)
- Godet (Petit-Canal)

NOTE: all data below were obtained at experimental stations (Roujol, Godet). They reflect the variety's performance under station growing conditions.

DISEASES

Anthracnose

Level

Tolerant

Rust

Level

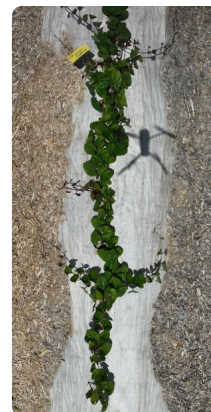
Tolerant

Is the cassava ant a threat to this variety? ☐ Yes ☒ No

EMERGENCE AND GROUND COVER

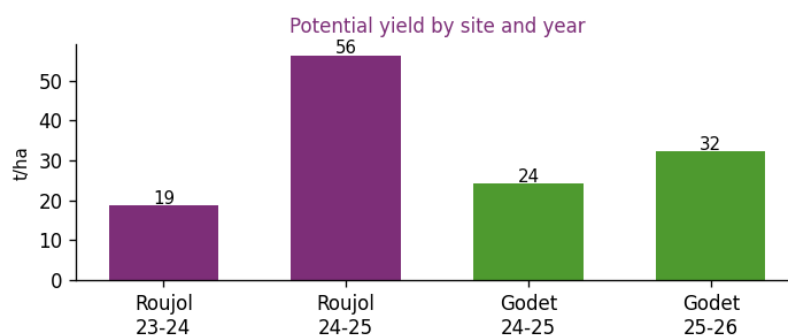
Germination rate **81 %**
 Emergence time **41 days**
 Cycle length (emergence → senescence) **6.0 months - short (<6 months)**

Ground cover at 1 month



YIELD

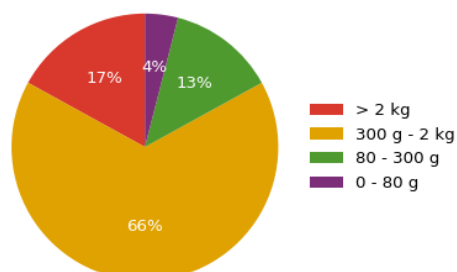
Potential yield **30.9 t/ha**
 Mean tubers per plant **1.3**
 Consistency profile ☐ Stable ☐ Not stable



SIZE GRADE

Mean tuber weight

1.1 kg



Data sheet online on YamHub

