

CIRAD175 (Wassa)

Edition: 2026

IDENTITY

Species	<i>Dioscorea alata</i>
Origin	Nouvelle Calédonie
Origin centre code	G623
Supplier	CRB
CIRAD code	G623
DOI	10.15454/RM1QBK
Year of introduction	2011
Evaluation period	2022-2025

Variety strengths:

- Tolerance to rust
- High dry matter

DESCRIPTION

ABOVE-GROUND PARTS

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



BELOW-GROUND PARTS

Tuber	Flesh appearance	Smooth
	Flesh colour	White
	Roots	Low
Skin	Thickness	Medium
	Phelloderm	Light purple

QUALITY

Storage rot (1 month)	High
Flesh colour	White
Cooking oxidation	None
Boiled quality	n/a

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

Anthraxnose

Level

Susceptible

Rust

Level

Tolerant

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

EMERGENCE AND GROUND COVER

Germination rate **85 %**
 Emergence time **24 days**
 Cycle length (emergence → senescence) **5.5 months - short (<6 months)**

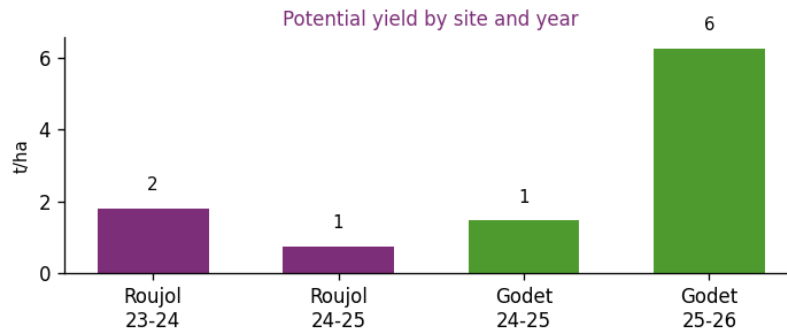
Ground cover at 1 month



YIELD

Potential yield **9.7 t/ha**
 Mean tubers per plant **1**
 Consistency profile ☐ Stable ☐ Not stable

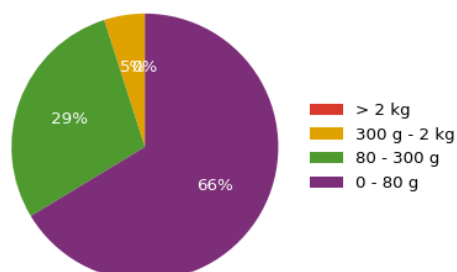
Potential yield by site and year



SIZE GRADE

Mean tuber weight

0.1 kg



Data sheet online on YamHub

