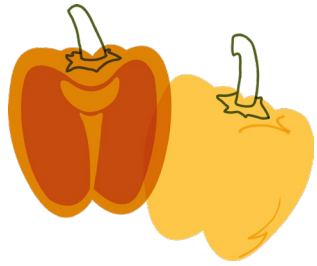


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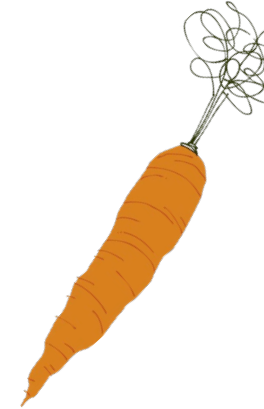
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Peppers **ALERT** ⚠️

We're seeing limited production in the early spring pepper crops from Spain and the Netherlands due to challenging growing conditions at source. Availability on green and red peppers is improving, however, yellow peppers remain difficult to source. We are reviewing a concession for yellow peppers.



Carrots **ALERT** ⚠️

As we approach the end of UK carrot season the availability is short, especially on large carrots. The shelf life of the product is also starting to reduce as is normal for this end of the season. We are managing the cold storage chain to help maintain the shelf life, and carrying out additional quality checks when the product arrives in our depots.



Wild Roquette **ALERT** ⚠️

Quality issues are being reported on wild roquette. Leaf damage visible and some mildew reported in Italian crop and flowering on the Spanish crop. Our suppliers are managing the quality of the product before it arrives in our depots.



Beef Tomatoes **ALERT** ⚠️

We are now sourcing predominantly from early season Dutch and Belgian tomatoes. Supply is limited from the early crop and the colour a little backward due to picking early. We are managing the tomatoes throughout the supply chain to ensure that the customer received the best quality available.



Aubergine

We have now started on the new Spanish summer and early Dutch aubergine crops. We are expecting to have good supply and quality from both sources.



Blueberries

New season blueberries from Spain and Morocco are bold in colour, softer than normal, but sweeter in taste.



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