

Sweet cherry

Trademark: KIR ROSSO™
Variety: KSG 03 A (S)
Species: Sweet cherry, *Prunus avium*



Origin:	
Breeder, Place	Hilmar Gräb, Kettig, Germany
Intellectual property	LFP Licenses for Fruits and Plants GmbH, Bassenheim, Germany
Parents	open pollination from SWEETHEART™ Sumtare (S)
Crossing number	Kirsche 2004 R 10 B 64
Property rights	application for EU plant variety rights, EU trademark
Blossom:	
Blooming date	early to medium, high to very high
Fertility	self-fertile
S-allele, sterility group	S3 S4', group SC
Fruit:	
Ripening time	10.-11. cherry week
Scale, shape	27-30 mm, slightly oblong heart-shaped without apex, pistil point is visible but closed, medium to long, robust stalk
Colour	dark red to bordeaux, shiny
Fruit flesh	very firm, juicy flesh (Durofel pressure 25: 85-88 at full maturity)
Taste	at the first pick tangy-aromatic with fine acidity, at full maturity spicy-harmonious, powerful long-lasting aroma, 18 Brix at full maturity
Cracking sensitivity	low
Storage	good
Tree:	
Vigour	medium strong, harmonious wide spreading, very good branching, without blind wood, healthy leaves
Training	Pay attention to sufficient vegetative growth on poor soils.
Health	The susceptibility to Pseudomonas is comparable with the mother variety SWEETHEART™ Sumtare (S).
Crop load	from an early age with good to high yield, fruits are hanging very densely in some parts, fruiting also on perennial branches, at very high production fruits are arranged like a string of pearls

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Evaluation:	<p>Cherry selection with a very late ripening time, in average 3 weeks later than 'Regina'. The highlight is the large proportion of good quality fruits, the excellent firmness and flavour.</p> <p>If you are interested to plant KIR™-varieties outside of the Netherlands, Austria and Germany we need the authorisation of the licence holder LFP GmbH.</p>
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