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# MARKET REPORT



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DECEMBER 2022

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■ Hello,

It looks like we're set for a full Christmas holiday. After two spoilt festive seasons, we can't wait! **The warehouse is packed full of festive goodies** – from tasty sprouts to sweet chestnuts; delicious cranberries to the perfect agría roasting potatoes.

You may have already caught a glimpse on YouTube but for those of you who haven't yet seen it, we're excited to launch our new video series – **The Market Chef:**

<https://www.youtube.com/@countysupplies>.

Working with one of our favourite chefs, Ryan Stafford, the series celebrates how to cook with fresh seasonal produce. And, watch out for some fun festive menus this month!

**From everyone at County Supplies, we wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year!**



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## BEST OF



### VEGETABLES

- Romanesco, Portwood Farm, English
- Brussel sprout tops, James Heyes & Sons, English
- Golden, candy and red beetroot, Royal Oak Farm, English
- Cavolo nero, English
- Orange & mixed chantenay carrot, Grange Farm, English
- Chicory, Belgium
- Cime di rapa, Italian
- Leeks, Seddon & Sons, English
- Tokyo turnips, Italian
- Kalettte's, Molyneux, English
- Rainbow chard, D & J Hayward, English
- Crones, French
- Salsify, French
- Puntarella, Italian
- Squashes, French, Italian, English
- Parsnips, Royal Oak Farm, English
- Swiss chard, French
- Red & blue meat radish, French



### FRUIT

- Lychee on the branch, Mauritian
- Apples russet, English
- Bergamot orange, Italian
- Comice & Conference pears, English
- Leafy clementine's, Spanish & Italian
- Kent mango, Brazilian
- Muscat grape, French
- Pomegranate, Italian & Spanish
- Quince, Turkish, French
- Leafy oranges, Italian



### SALAD

- Castelfranco, Italian
- Pink radicchio, Italian
- Tardivo, Italian
- Treviso, Italian
- Grumolo, Spanish
- Batavia, French
- RAF tomatoes, Spain
- Marinda tomatoes, Italian
- Cicorini, Italian

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## ARRIVING AND DEPARTING



### ARRIVING

- Black winter truffle, Italian
- Finger lime, Australian
- Monks beard, Italian
- Opal apples, Kent, English
- Indoor rhubarb, Yorkshire, English
- Braeburn apples, Kent, English



### DEPARTING

- Grapes, Italian
- Borlotti beans, Italian
- Micro flowers, Norfolk, English
- Coco beans, French
- Sharon fruit, Italian
- Celery fenland, G's Farm, English
- Autumn Truffle, Italian

## WILD FOODS



### FROM THE SEA

- Sea purslane
- Rock samphire
- Sea beet
- Fresh Scottish & Cornish seaweeds

### FORRAGED

- Sloes
- Rosehips
- Damsons
- Crab apples
- Medlar

### WILD MUSHROOM

- Swiss Pied de Mouton
- Swiss & French trompette
- Grey & yellow chanterelle

## COUNTY SUPPLIES NEWS



As we head into the busy festive season, **please remember to place your orders as early as possible** -- especially prep orders -- to avoid any supply issues and meet your delivery windows. As a reminder, we ask that any dairy and dry goods orders are placed by 6pm for delivery the following day.

### CHRISTMAS CLOSING HOURS

Our offices will be closed for **Christmas from 8am on Saturday 24th December to Tuesday 27th December**. We will re-open from Wednesday 28th to Saturday 31st December and **close again on Sunday 1st and Monday 2nd January for the New Year**. Normal services will resume from Tuesday 3rd January 2023.

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## ■ DECEMBER AND JANUARY TOP INSIGHTS



- Soaring costs of production including chicken feed, energy, diesel and packaging, along with bird-flu, have crippled many UK egg producers. However, another big issue, which doesn't seem to be hitting the headlines, is that supermarkets while keen to increase their prices aren't sharing the increased revenue with farmers. As a result, **farmers are unable to meet the spiralling costs and we're witnessing both farmers and growers having to make difficult choices and close their businesses.**
- UK fruit and vegetable growers across the country are 'fearing for their future' as escalating costs and ongoing workforce shortages continue to impact the horticulture sector. **Soaring energy costs combined with a lack of people to pick crops are posing a serious threat to the future of the UK's fruit and vegetable sector**, the NFU said. The main drivers are energy prices which are up 165%, fertiliser which has increased by 40% and workforce costs, up 13%.

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# PRODUCE

## SOURCED FROM THE BEST BRITISH AND EUROPEAN GROWERS

No matter the season, we've got the right produce for your kitchen. From exotic fruits and vegetables to the essentials, our consistent quality is what brings our clients back again and again.

We source locally to keep food miles low and maintain the right temperature for our products to preserve **their flavour and delicate quality for longer.**

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