Optimal Fresh

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Crop cashew apple

Maturity stage General
Category Fruit
Plant Part Fruit

Usage Fresh/ Raw, Juice/ Drink,

Preserve/ Jam

Botanical name Anacardium occidentale L.

Botanical family Anacardiaceae

Cultivar notes Also cashew nut from this fruit

Alternate names include



Picture source: Thai Department of Agricultural Extension, 1993

Refrigerated Container/Coolroom Recommendations

Optimum product storage temperature

0.0 to 2.0°C

Temperature set point

Add a margin for uncertainty in equipment performance if necessary. For return air control set point add 1°C to delivery set point.

0.5°C

Ventilation (air exchange) settings for containers:

6 m (20') =

 $15 \text{ m}^3/\text{h} = 10 \text{ cfm}$

12 m (40') =

 $30 \text{ m}^3/\text{h} = 20 \text{ cfm}$

Acceptable product temperature at loading into container

0.0 to 5.0°C

Key Properties

| Storage time (days)† | Humidity (% RH) | Freezing point (°C) | Storage time at ambient (~20°C) | Ventilation rate | |
|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|--|
| 35 - 35 | 85 - 90 | - | - | Low | |

[†] at optimum storage temperature

Other Properties

| Ref | Maturity stage | Air exchange * | Freezing Point (°C) | Ethylene production ** | Ethylene sensitivity | Ice compat- ibility | Water loss *** | % Water content | Bruising suscept- ibility |
|-----|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| 1 | General | Low | 0 | | | | H (4.4) | | |

^{*} Air exchange rates: Nil = 0%; Very low = 25%; Low = 50%; Medium = 100%; High = 200%; Very high = 400% fresh air/hour.

Compatibility in Mixed Storage

Temperature compatibility group

| 0 7 13 20 | |
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Humidity compatibility group

| Dry | Moderate | High | Very high |
|--------|----------|--------|-----------|
| 60-80% | 80-90% | 90-95% | 95-100% |

^{**} Ethylene production rates at 20°C: Nil = 0 nM; Very low = <4 nM; Low = 4 - 40 nM; Medium = 40 - 400 nM; High = 400 - 4000 nM; Very high =>4000 nM ethylene/kg/hour.

^{***} Where % weight loss/week is given this is converted as: Low <= 1%; Medium = 1.1 - 3.4%; High = >3.5%

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Not compatible with crops that: Odours will be absorbed by: Absorbs odours from:

References for cashew apple

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