



YELLOW OPEN POLLINATED MAIZE

SAHARA

OVERVIEW

Sahara is a very tall plant up to 2.6m that is susceptible to lodging in windy conditions. Very leafy with large cobs exceeding 300 to 350mm in length, well covered by plant material, with red/white silks that emerge around day 70. Very hardy and drought resistant and very high disease tolerance!!

Milling quality is average. It grows on most soil types, although sandy soils do lead to increased lodging. Long season maturity at 135-140 days and does have a longer dry down period. Yield potential depends on weather conditions, but a dryland yield of 5 mt is achievable. Yields of up to 8 mt have been achieved in Limpopo under ideal conditions!



- Good tolerance of low fertilizer applications.
- Big kernels (size 5 to 7 is common) with 12-16 rows
- Ready to harvest around 135 days.
- Very hardy

