

Name **Som-O Khao Yai Samut Songkram**
ส้มโอขาวใหญ่สมุทรสงคราม

Country Thailand

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Source: DIP - Thailand

Main characteristics/features

The Som-O Khao Yai Samut Songkram pomelo is fairly large, with a circumference of 17-24 inches and weighs 1.2-2.5 kilograms. The fruit is round with no distinct nodules and the base is smooth. When ripe, the base becomes slightly dented. The peel is smooth and thick. It is yellowish-green on the outside and white on the inside. The flesh is composed of 12-14 large, dense, yellowish-white segments that are easily separated from the peel and contain no seeds. The taste is sweet and slightly sour.

Production and processing

The variety covered by the GI is Khao Yai.

A 50 centimetre long, wide, and deep furrow and with a drainage channel must be prepared. The pomelos are then planted with 7-8 meters between each tree. The soil is mixed with organic fertiliser. When the pomelo is 3-4 years old, the branches should be trimmed, keeping the shape of the sides of the branches. The shoots are pruned to allow sunlight to get to the branches. Anti-fungal chemicals and fertiliser can be used. When the fruit is flowering, the trees should not be watered. Once the trees bear fruit, they should be watered regularly. Harvesting should take place 7-8 months after the pomelo flowers, when the oil glands appear on the fruit and the peels are yellowish green. After harvesting, the fruit must be left for 1-2 weeks to become sweeter and easier to peel. Labels should include 'Som-O Khao Yai Samut Songkram' or 'Samut Songkram Khao Yai Pomelo' or 'Pomelo Khao Yai Samut Songkram'.

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Competent Authority

Intellectual Property Department

GI right holder/GI association

Samut Songkram; Samut Songkram Provincial Administration Organisation; Samut Songkram Chamber of Commerce; Network of Community Enterprises for the Enhancement of Fruit Quality in Samut Songkram Province

Contact information

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Geographical area

The Som-O Khao Yai Samut Songkram pomelo production area is located in Samut Songkram Province, including Bangkhantaek Subdistrict, Tai-had Subdistrict, Muang District, Amphawa District (except for Yisarn and Phraeknamdaeng subdistricts), and Bangkhontee District.

Link between product and territory

Samut Songkram Province is old with a long history. It was originally a part of Ratchaburi Province. It was also known as the city of 3 waters, making it suitable for agriculture. Samut Songkram Province has grown pomelos since 1932. The first tree was in Bangphrom Subdistrict, Bangkhontee District, Samut Songkram Province. The farmers brought some pomelos from Bangkok Noi market in Thonburi to eat and planted some seeds in a garden. It turned out that the fruit was of a very high quality, a good size and tasted great so they expanded the plantation over a period of 30 years. Every year, in April, an event is organised to promote lychees and other Maekhlung products. Farmers bring local fruits including pomelos and lychees to sell. This event has helped the Samut Songkram Khao Yai pomelo become popular and well known among consumers.

Type of product

Fruit — pomelo

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