**Name**
Ngu Dai Hoang Banana  

**Country**
Vietnam  

**Date of registration**
30/09/2009  

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**Main characteristics/features**

The Ngu Dai Hoang banana is smaller than other varieties of bananas. Its peel is very thin and has a shiny yellow colour. The ripened flesh of the fruit is yellow and firm. Thanks to its medium vitamin C content, the Ngu Dai Hoang banana has a light sweet flavour and aroma.

**Geographical area**

The Ngu Dai Hoang banana production area is in villages 1 to 17 of Hoa Hau commune and villages 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of Tien Thang commune, Ly Nhan district, Ha Nam province, Vietnam.

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**Production/processing**

The soil is prepared for ‘Ngu’ Dai Hoang bananas during the dry season. After seedlings have been planted, only one mother plant and one bud are maintained, and sheath leaves are pruned when they turn yellow. Growers must not use nitrogen fertilisers — instead they use mud in the dry season. Male flowers are removed from the stalks on sunny days — only 5-8 clusters per bunch are maintained, which are enclosed. The harvest cycle for bananas is 5 years/clump and requires gradual replacement of old clumps, by replanting one row first, then replanting the next row the following year and so on. Harvest time is based on the roundness of the fruit, the colour of its skin and its flesh. The period between removing male flowers and the harvest is 40-45 days in summer, or 60-70 days in winter. Curved knives are used to cut male flowers. Maturing process: 1-1.5 days after being harvested, the banana bunches must be put in maturing-houses, which have a height of 1-1.5 m, width of 1.5 m and door-width of 70 cm. Their bases are round with a diameter of 50 cm and slightly concave (5 cm).

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**Competent authority**
National Office of Intellectual Property in Vietnam

**GI right holder/GI association**
The People's Committee of Ly Nhan District

**Contact information**

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**Type of product**

Fruit — Banana

**File number**

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**Websites**