

Cato's Potato's

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Potatoes –

To grow potatoes without the application of fungicides can be a real challenge. This is something we have achieved using the programme supplied to us by Bio Ag.

With additional applications of fish and seaweed and Bio Ag Soil and Seed we have been able to plant early potatoes for the Waikato Farmers Markets having potatoes as early as the end of October.



Garlic –

We have grown garlic in the Waikato now for seven years. The Waikato climate is not the ideal climate for growing garlic. The 2011-12 season being especially wet for harvesting and the 2012-13 being the opposite.

Since starting with the Bio Ag programme we have achieved much higher yields and our reject and loss rate has reduced considerably. No chemical insect or fungicide applications have been necessary in any of the last three years. All the garlic is sold at the Waikato Farmers Markets with demand increasing every year.



Cheers,
Richard