



# Sweet Corn at Gresczyk Farms

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# About Gresczyk Farms



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## The 2024 Crop

65 Acres of Sweet Corn

Harvested Corn daily from  
7/1/24 until 10/15/24

Nine Varieties Grown





# Our Growing Methods- Under Plastic



# Our Growing Methods- Deep Zone Tilling



Primary Growing Method.

Great for our farm.

Used for most corn, cucurbit, and legume crops.



# How we Select Cultivars

**Knowing Our Market**

**Networking**

**Trial and Error**

**What do we need it to do?**

**Seed Company  
Recommendations**

**Taste**

**Ear Placement**

**Supersweet?**

**GMO?**

**Ear Size**

**Talks like this**

**Presentation**





# 2024 Varieties Grown

Bolt XR- 67 day Bi Color  
Supersweet

Kickoff- 69 day Bi Color  
Supersweet

Anthem XR- 73 day Bi Color  
Supersweet

Icon- 72 day Yellow Supersweet

Kate - 77 day Bi Color  
Supersweet

Glacial- 76 day white  
Supersweet

Flagler - 77 day Bi Color  
Supersweet

Magnolia MXR- 75 day white  
Supersweet

# Field Preparation





# Plastic Layer/Planter



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# Monosem Planter



# Early Scouting

- Early Insects
- Time to remove plastic
- Irrigation
- Weeds
- Early Animal Issues
- Nutrition





# Pests (Primary Issues)

- European Corn Borer (Early Only)
- Corn Earworm CEW
  - Primary Pest
- Corn Aphids
  - Becoming more of a problem for us
- Animals
  - Bear and Raccoon
- Weeds
  - Horsenettle, Nutsedge, and Grasses.



# Herbicides

Preemergent-

Glyphosate/Accuron

Postemergent-

Impact/Armezon/Basagran/Sandea/Stinger



# Insecticides Mostly for CEW

- Maintain Pheromone traps to monitor CEW population to determine spray frequency.
- Starting at silking we rotate between Besiege and Baythroid. Can start with cheaper generic materials at the beginning of the season when pressure is low.





# Harvest





Questions/Discussion