## Watermelon

## **Area Under Cultivation**

Watermelons are mainly cultivated in Maharashtra, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Punjab, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, and Uttar Pradesh.

Botanical Name: Citrullus Lanatus

Family: Cucurbitaceae

## **Plant Discription:**

It is a trailing annual vine with stems 15 m or more in length and branched tendrils having yellow flowers bearing globular to oblong fruits loght green to almost black and either solid or with pale green colour or marbled. striped

Centre of origin: Africa

Pollination system: Cross pollinated

Chromosome no: 2n=22

**Nutritional Levels:** 

Moisture (%)	Protein (%)	Fat (%)	Mineral matter (%)	Fibre (%)	Carbohydrate (%)	Calories (K Cal)
95.8	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.2	3.3	16
Minerals						
Phosphorus (mg/100g)	Potassium (mg/100g)	Calcium (mg/100g)	Magnesium (mg/100g)	Iron (mg/100g)	Sodium (mg/100g)	Copper (mg/100g)
12	160	11	13	7.9	27.3	0.05
Manganese (mg/100g)	Zinc (mg/100g)	Sulphur (mg/100g)	Chlorine (mg/100g)	Molybdium (mg/100g)	Cromium (mg/100g)	
0	0	42	21	0	0	
Vitamins						
Carotene (mg/100g)	Thiamine (mg/100g)	Riboflavin (mg/100g)	Niacin (mg/100g)	Vitamin C (mg/100g)	Choline (mg/100g)	Folic acid-Free (mg/100g)
0	0.02	0.04	0.1	1	0	0