**Name**
Trùng Khánh Chestnut

**Country**
Vietnam

**Date of registration**
21/03/2011

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**Main characteristics/features**

The Trùng Khánh chestnut is characterised by its heavy weight and its woody seed coat, which is thin but hard, dark brown in colour and very shiny, with a light covering of fine white hairs on the surface. The flesh of the nut is dark yellow, succulent and aromatic, and has higher levels of gluxit and glucose than the Quang Uyen and Lang Son chestnuts.

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**Geographical area**

The production area for Trùng Khánh chestnuts is located in the communes of Dinh Minh, Chi Vien, Kham Thanh and Phong Chau in the Trùng Khánh district of Cao Bang province, Vietnam.

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**Production/processing**

**Propagation:** By seed with a density of 100 trees per hectare or by grafting with a density of 150 trees per hectare.

**Planting:** The best planting times are from November to December and from February to March. The seedling needs to be immersed in muddy water before transportation to the planting site. The seedling should not be planted too deep. When grafting trees, the scions must be at ground level.

**Preservation:** There are many methods, such as preservation by cold at 0-2 °C; preservation using sand, ice husk ash or sawdust; preservation in wooden barrels and dry storage.

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**Link between product and territory**

Although the nutrient elements in the soil have little effect on the organoleptic properties of Trùng Khánh chestnuts, the levels of moisture and proportion of clay in the soil have a major effect on nut shape. The quality of Trùng Khánh chestnuts is closely linked to the macronutrient and micronutrient content in the soil (e.g. clay content, soil moisture, total cations, CEC and boron content). In addition to natural factors, the local cultivation methods, as well as the harvesting and preservation techniques, also contribute to the special quality of Trùng Khánh chestnuts.

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**Type of product**

Chestnut

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**Competent authority**

National Office of Intellectual Property of Vietnam

**GI right holder/GI association**

The People's Committee of Trùng Khánh District

**Contact information**

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**Websites**

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