

Tab 4Traditional rice varieties of Wayanad

Name of the variety	Colour	Duration	Cultivation method	Season	Important features
Veliyan	Red	10 months	Transplanting	Kumbam-vrichigam	Flood-drought tolerant,suitable for all climatic conditions,lengthy straw
Palveliyen	White	5 months	"	Mithunam-thulam	Tasty rice,rare
Thondi	Red	6 months	"	Mithunam-vrichigam	Lengthy straw, tasty
Palthondi	White	5 months	"	Midhunam-thulam	Rarely cultivating,lengthy straw
Chennelthondi	Red	7 months	"	edavam-vrichigam	Lengthy straw
Thonnooranthondi	Red	3 months	"	Chingam-thulam	Rarely cultivating,mostly sowing
Chennellu	"	7 months	"	Edavam-vrichigam	Medicinal,lengthy straw,high preference among Kurichya community
Kalladiyaryan	"	4 months	Sowing	Vrichigam-kumbam	Drought tolerant, lengthy straw
Chomala	White	6 months	Transplanting	Mithunam-vrichigam	High straw,tasty rice
Edavaka	red		"		
Gandhakasala	White	6 months	"	Midhunam-vrichigam	Scented variety,economically beneficial,suitable for Biriyani
Jeerakasala	"	6 months	"	Midhunam-vrichigam	Scented variety
Poothadikazhama	"	6 months	"	Midunam-vrichigam	Scented variety
Kochuvithu		4 months	"	Karkida-vrichigam	Tasty, more yield
Chenthadi	Red	10 months	Dry sowing, Transplanting	Kumbam-vrichigam	Mostly dry sowing,flood- drought tolerant,high straw
Mundon	"	10 months	"	Kumbam-vrichigam	Dry sowing,high straw,flood-drouht tolerat
Mullanchanna	White	6 months	transplanting	Midhunam-vrichigam	Scented rice,awned,more quantity of straw,suitable for biriyani
Navara	Red	3 months	Sowing,transplanting	Chingam-thulam	Medicinal, low yield
Thychoon white		4 months	Transplanting	Mithunam-vrichigam	Rarely cultivating,tasty,more quantity of straw
Thychoon red		4 months	"	"	More quantity of straw
Anakodan			"		
Mullanpuncha		5 months	sowing	Midhunam-thulam	First rice used for puncha,awned,mostly
Mangalapuram puncha				Karkida-Thula	Pest tolerant variety
Urunikazhama	white	6 months	transplanting	midhunam-vrichigam	Scented variety , rarely cultivating
Machukanta	"			Midhunam-thulam	
Adukkan	Red	"	"	Chingam-Vrichigam	Economically beneficial .

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