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Runner Bean Guinness Record leads the way in Mr Fothergill's Year of the Bean 2017 (MRF588)

An exclusive new runner bean called Guinness Record has so fired the imagination of staff at Mr Fothergill's Kentford, Suffolk, base they organised a competition to see who can grow the longest specimen before it is launched in autumn 2016 for the 2017 season. Guinness Record is the company's flagship variety in its support of the pan-European Year of the Bean initiative.

This exhibition-quality runner bean produces large crops of very long, smooth, tasty, slender pods up to 45cm (18in) from July to October. The vigorous, red-flowered plants are resistant to all bean viruses. A packet of 45 seeds of runner bean Guinness Record costs £3.25, and is available from Mr Fothergill's retailers, from its mail order catalogue and from its website www.mr-fothergills.co.uk

This is the third year in succession Mr Fothergill's has lent its weight to the campaign which highlights a different vegetable annually. Its commitment is also reflected on its trial ground this summer (2016). Trials manager Brian Talman reports he grew 35 varieties of runner beans, 30 varieties of climbing beans, 79 different dwarf beans and 36 broad beans.

Mr Fothergill's mail order catalogue offers the largest range of bean seeds in the UK, with more than 90 varieties in its extensive range, including many unusual varieties and some organic seeds. For more information on Mr Fothergill's range, or to request a catalogue, please visit www.mr-fothergills.co.uk, telephone 0845 371 0518 or write to Mr Fothergill's, Gazeley Road, Kentford, Suffolk CB8 7QB.

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