



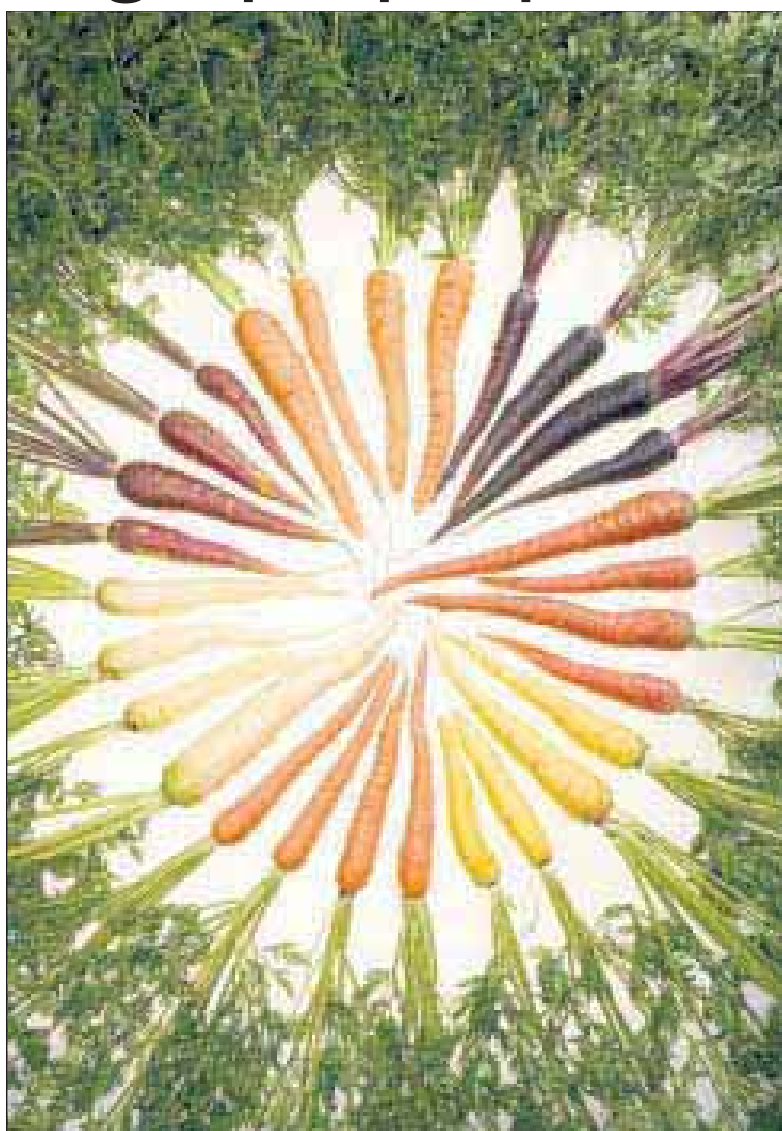
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# Carrots hitting a purple patch

**THE** future is no longer orange – multicoloured carrots will hit British supermarket shelves for the first time today. Purple, orange, tangerine, white, yellow, cream and amber varieties grown in Norfolk will be sold in Tesco for

£1 a bag. Until the 16th century carrots were generally purple or yellow before orange became the dominant colour. Tesco hopes the coloured vegetables will encourage children to eat more healthily. Meanwhile, the hot weather has

produced the latest ever harvest of British-grown asparagus. The traditional season ends in June but **Marks and Spencer** is selling the first commercial autumn crop – said to be sweeter and juicier – in 150 stores.



**Sunny delight: Multicoloured carrots go on sale today** Picture: PA

