With around 4500 acres of soya being grown in the UK in 2017, and with soya prospects looking good for next year, we hope to place a significantly increased acreage in 2018.

Prices - from 2007 onwards, the price of soya jumped dramatically from £165 per tonne to around £475 per tonne in 2014. The current values are around £400 per tonne, making the gross margin for soya and the long-term increase in prices mean that soya values will remain high.

Greening - Soya now enjoys positive official support as it counts as part of the greening and the 3-crop rule.

New varieties - the varieties available now are light-years ahead of the varieties available 15 years ago. They offer earlier harvests, excellent yields and produce quality soya beans.

Other spring crops - have reduced in their relative values. Many other spring options are no longer available, or are less attractive than they were before.

Nitrogen - Soya’s high nitrogen legacy is more valuable to the following crop than ever before.

Agronomy - We now have a well-developed agronomy model with a range of highly effective, low-cost herbicides for both broad-leaved and grass weed control.

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- Minimal pest & disease problems.
- Rotationally compatible with peas and beans.
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Is Soya suitable for me?
Soya is suitable for all types of land, as long as:
- The pH is between 5.8 - 8.5.
- A fine, moist seedbed can be created for sowing late April/early May.
- It is no further North than the Vale of York.
- Pigeons can be kept off during the cotyledon stage.

Soya Suitability Map
Areas where you can successfully grow Soya

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Siverka
A white / grey haired variety with a clear hilum, excellent yield, intermediate earliness, and good plant height. Siverka performed very well in 2015 and will be one of our two main varieties going forward.

Vilshanka
A brown haired variety with a dark hilum, excellent yield, good earliness, and good plant height. Despite having a dark hilum which “bleeds” round the bean, Vilshanka’s ugly appearance is more than made up for by its performance. Thankfully, its appearance does not affect its marketability. Vilshanka has performed very well in 2016 and will be the other of our two main varieties going forward.

Siverka has an attractive appearance, as well as very positive agronomic characteristics.

Vilshanka - not pretty, but high yielding with very positive agronomic characteristics.
**Soya UK Offers**

Agronomy Advice – full agronomy advice throughout the growing season, with regular bulletins to keep you informed.

Best Choice of Soya Varieties – we offer the most up-to-date and best choice of Soya varieties available in the UK. This is the result of many years of trials work both here in the UK and across Europe.

Pre-Inoculated Seed – since 2008, we have been able to exclusively offer the only UK system for the pre-inoculation of soya seed. All of our seed now comes ready-inoculated.

Marketing – we provide the following Buy-Back Contracts

Seed Production Contracts
We have a large demand for our varieties of Soya on the continent and are looking to place a significant seed production area this year to meet the export demands we have. We are looking for arable growers in the South-East with good storage and drying facilities to produce seed for us.

Organic
There is a very strong organic market for UK grown organic Soya.

**Soya Gross Margin**

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**Soya price graph 1999-2016**

Price per tonne - Peaked at £525 in 2012, currently £400

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**Soya UK also specialise in:-**

- LUPINS
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**Why Soya is an attractive proposition**

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