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# Rapeseed

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*Brassica napus*

## Overview

Annual rapeseed is a subspecies of yellow turnip and is grown as an oilseed. Rapeseed leaves are blue-green and shiny. Its flowers are bright yellow and form the fruit, a silique, in which the small, oil-rich seeds develop. Rapeseed usually flowers at the end of June and beginning of July.

## Use

Oilseed rape and its near relative turnip rape are the most important oilseeds in Finland. They are grown to provide cooking oil and the protein-rich residues after oil extraction are fed to livestock. The oil contains plenty of omega-3 and omega-6 unsaturated fatty acids. In 2020, oilseed rape was grown on 10,800 ha in Finland (0.53 % of the arable area).



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