

# *Baker Creek Heirloom Seeds*

**Our 20th Annual Pure Seed Book!**



**2017**  
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The Gettle family with a bed of the beautiful *Keiryu Mountain Stream* Morning Glory. The girls, Sasha, 9 and Malia, 3, love growing things in their gardens.



## Welcome To Our 20th Annual Catalog!

### Dear Gardening Friends,

It is hard for us to believe that it is the 20th annual issue of our seed catalog! It has been an amazing adventure since I printed that first, 12 page seed list back in 1998 at the age of 17. Back then, the catalog contained just over 70 heirloom varieties, things that I wanted to save and pass on to others, seed varieties that had all but disappeared from modern catalogs, seeds that had a story to tell and are part of the culinary and horticultural fabric of this nation and the planet.

It is still our goal to preserve these genetic treasures on a larger and larger scale each season, and currently we are listing close to 1850 varieties from 100 countries or tribes on our website and in our catalogs. This year we are printing over 625,000 catalogs and hope you enjoy your copy and all of the genetic diversity within. Maybe we can help you find that special seed variety that you remember from Grandma's garden, or that special variety that may have been part of your culture's past, or simply some amazing, flavorful, colorful

and nutritious vegetable to brighten your family's table and provide a connection to past generations that have planted these seeds and passed them down generation by generation.

In 2017 it is more important than ever for people to know where their food is coming from! Record amounts of pesticides are being sprayed as more crops are being genetically engineered to withstand an ever wider assortment of chemicals. At the same time, many of the large biotech seed and chemical companies are merging and thus allowing America's seed and food supply to be controlled by a handful of men who often only think about profit and stock prices. We believe we have a sacred, God-given right to save seeds and grow our own food, free from patents, GMOs and corporate control, and we encourage you to save seeds and pass them on to others! Seed saving and sharing is a way to take back our food supply and make our local communities stronger and more connected. There is nothing to build community like a seed swap or just the simple

act of passing seeds from gardener to gardener in your backyard. Please save and share seeds!

We have had a very busy year here at Baker Creek, trialing about 2000 varieties and bringing many new things to this catalog: seeds of cauliflower that will mature in record time, giant 7-foot gourds that are cooked like zucchini, fragrant old-fashioned flowers that are loved by our declining bee and butterfly populations, and so much more! It is always incredible finding "New" seeds!

We hope to meet many of you at our farm, festivals, or at the incredible National Heirloom Expo held in Santa Rosa, California, an event that will make any gardener or farmer ecstatic!

Thank you all for your support of our seed saving endeavors and keep on saving seeds!

God Bless!

*Jere, Emilee, Sasha & Malia Gettle*

PS, please "Like" us on facebook for all the latest varieties, recipes and cool photos!

*On the cover: Bon Bon Zinnia, this lovely variety comes in various striped and streaked patterns. (See page 140)*

*Most photos in this catalog are by our great photographers: Brian Dunne, Laura Stilson and Jason Bennet.*

## ABOUT OUR SEED COMPANY



**JERE GETTLE** always had a passion for growing things, and at age 3 he planted his first garden. Ever since, he wanted to be involved in the seed industry. So in 1998, at the age of 17, he printed the first Baker Creek Heirloom Seed catalog. The company has grown to offer nearly 2,000 varieties of vegetables, flowers and herbs—the largest selection of heirloom varieties in the USA.

Baker Creek carries one of the largest selections of seeds from the 19th century, including many Asian and European varieties. The company has become a tool to promote and preserve our agricultural and culinary heritage. Our company and seeds have been featured in *The New York Times*, *The Associated Press*, *Oprah Magazine*, *Martha Stewart*, *The Wall Street Journal*, and many others. Gardeners can request a free color catalog. Our catalogs now distribute to over 625,000 gardeners nationally.

Baker Creek started hosting festivals in 2000 as a way to bring gardeners, homesteaders and natural food enthusiasts together to exchange ideas and seeds, to listen to speakers and to enjoy vendors, old-time music and much more. These festivals gave birth to the idea for our pioneer village, Bakersville. Other projects include our trial gardens that we grow each year, seed collecting expeditions, and educational produce exhibits.

Over the last several years, Jere Gettle and his wife Emilee have branched out into other related projects, as well. They have also expanded into a location in Sonoma County, CA, in the beautiful town of Petaluma and are continuing with the restoration and preservation of the landmark Wethersfield, CT, Comstock, Ferre & Company, the oldest continuously operating seed company in New England.

The Gettles have published two books with Hyperion. These books feature heirloom vegetables and their work with seeds and food. After publishing *The Heirloom Life Gardener* in 2011, they released *The Baker Creek Vegan Cookbook* in 2012.

Jere and Emilee also work extensively to supply free seeds to many of the world's poorest countries, as well as here at home in school gardens and other educational projects. It is their goal to educate everyone about a better, safer food supply and fight gene-altered Frankenfood and the companies that support it.

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# OUR 20TH ANNUAL CATALOG!

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(\*See Page 144 for details)

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-The New York Times Magazine

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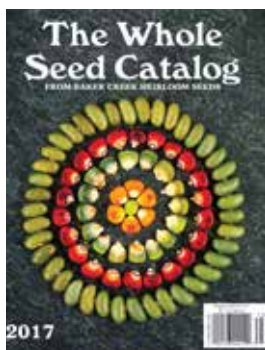
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Get the Whole Seed Catalog on the newsstands of many book and natural food stores!

# Visit Our Stores



**MANSFIELD, MISSOURI HEADQUARTERS**  
Come enjoy the beautiful Ozark hills and our farm and pioneer village; shop seeds, see gardens, animals and the village. Eat at our restaurant that is open for lunch, Monday - Friday. Learn firsthand about what we do.

Directions: We are located 45 miles east of Springfield, Missouri. Take Hwy 60 to Mansfield, and at the 2nd exit, turn north on Hwy 5. Go 1½ miles to London Road. Turn left on London Road, then follow signs. Hours: Sunday-Friday, 8 am - 4 pm. Closed Saturdays & major holidays. Come enjoy all that the Ozarks region has to offer! Phone: 417-924-8917

Heritage Day Festivals are held the First Sunday of the month at our Missouri Farm and village, March-October. Enjoy vendors music, food and our gardens!

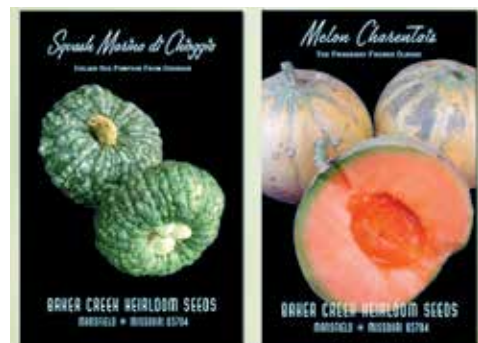


**PETALUMA, CALIFORNIA SEED BANK**  
Stroll the streets in the quaint Victorian city of Petaluma. Shop at our unique seed and garden store that has found its home in a grand, old former bank building. We also offer hundreds of locally made items! Then enjoy the best food in California at many delicious local eateries all up and down the street!

Directions: Come to Petaluma (30 minutes north of San Francisco) and take any exit west into town. We are on the corner of Petaluma and Washington (199 Petaluma Blvd. N.). Open: Sunday-Friday. Closed Saturdays & major holidays. Phone: 707-773-1336



**WETHERSFIELD, CONNECTICUT**  
**HEIRLOOM MARKET AT COMSTOCK FERRE**  
The historic Comstock Seed Company is located in the heart of old Wethersfield, the "most ancient" town in Connecticut. This property is owned and being restored by the Gettle family. It is now being transformed into not only a seed store but also a natural foods market and cafe by our friends, Spiro and Julia Koulouris, who own the business and currently operate the entire property. Come and see this amazing seed company with 11 historic buildings and the founder's 1767 house! They carry all the seeds in this catalog, plus operate a grocery and cafe featuring organic, non GMO products, gardening supplies and more! Directions: Come to Wethersfield, CT (just 5 minutes south of downtown Hartford). Heirloom Market at Comstock Ferre is located on Main Street in Old Wethersfield (263 Main St.). Phone: 860-257-2790 [www.ComstockFerre.com](http://www.ComstockFerre.com)



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# THE SPRING PLANTING FESTIVAL



Join over  
10,000  
gardeners  
from across  
America!  
Learn from  
Amazing  
Speakers!

***Come & Enjoy Our 17th Annual Festival, May 7 & 8, 2017  
Sunday and Monday, 10 am to 7 pm both days.  
Held at our Mansfield, Missouri Farm and Seed Company***

Celebrate spring with **200 vendors**, 75 old time musicians, and more than 50 craftsmen. Browse through thousands of varieties of plants and learn how to grow them with our acclaimed guest speakers.

Come and join us and more than **10,000 gardeners** at America's premier event of seeds, plants, music, culture and the celebration of historic foods. Join gardeners from 30-40 states. Bring the kids, who will be admitted free, for a full day of children's fun and educational activities. Area schools are invited to bring their classes.

*Enjoy a sense of community with fascinating seed collectors, renowned musicians, international speakers, historic demonstrators, food activists, home schoolers, western re-enactors, organic growers, gourmet chefs, free thinkers, Ozarkian crafters, trendy vendors and herbal hippies!*

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**The Spring Planting Festival** is held at our village and seed farm, near Mansfield, Missouri. Simply take Highway 5 north from Mansfield for 1.5 miles, and follow signs. We offer free tent and RV camping without hookups; there is no need to register. There are also hotels in the local area. Food is available at the festival. Admission is \$5.00 per adult, payable at the event. In keeping with our philosophy of educating about food and gardening, children 16 and under are free. All pets over 20 pounds must be pre-approved. No weapons are allowed. Vendors are welcome! Bring your products to one of the largest heritage garden events. **Vendors and crafters, call for info: 417-924-8917.** (Spaces are limited.) Bring your friends and family to enjoy the festivities.

# THE NATIONAL HEIRLOOM EXPO

SEPT 5-7, SANTA ROSA, CA - [TheHeirloomExpo.com](http://TheHeirloomExpo.com)



**The 7th annual National Heirloom Exposition will be the center of attention in Santa Rosa, California, on September 5, 6, & 7.**

What began in 2011 as a celebration of pure food and sustainable living has developed into an impressive event that annually draws upwards of 20,000 participants. Featuring the largest display of heritage produce, the Expo now focuses on the preservation of heirloom foods without genetic modification. Many individual and commercial growers supply an abundance of fruits and vegetables for exhibiting and tasting.

Located at the Sonoma County Fairgrounds in Santa Rosa on September 5, 6, and 7, the event has become known as the "World's Fair of Pure Food." The fairground streets and pavilion aisles are filled with pure food enthusiasts, talented home gardeners, farmers, garden artists, school groups and leaders in the food industry throughout this magnificent event. More than 100 renowned garden and food speakers fill three



Join hundreds of vendors and exhibitors for all things garden, farm and organic! Dozens of seed sources including us at Baker Creek Seeds!



World-class garden art from across America! Calling all seedy artists!



Three days of kids activities and garden games, bring your kids or school class for a food education they won't forget!



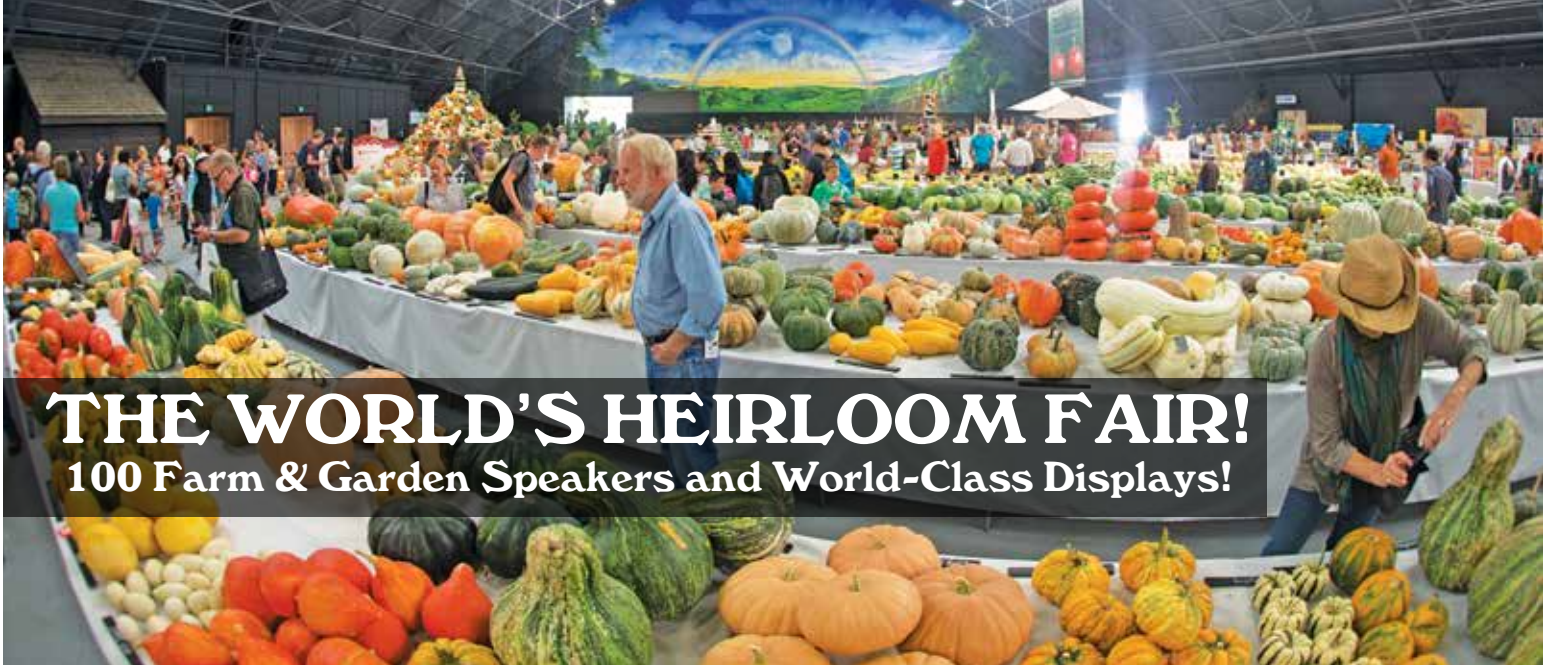
Dazzling Dahlia Show! Enjoy the beauty of this queen of flowers at this massive display of color and genetic diversity. Bring your camera!



Enjoy stunning heirloom tomatoes from across California and beyond.



National and international speakers fill 3-4 halls with garden and farm know-how, learn to grow, save and sell your harvest and much more!



# THE WORLD'S HEIRLOOM FAIR!

100 Farm & Garden Speakers and World-Class Displays!

presentation halls with back-to-back talks. An impressive line up of nationally and internationally recognized speakers have included Vandana Shiva, Jeffrey Smith, Carlo Petrini, Ronnie Cummins, Dave Murphy, Percy Schmeiser, Joseph Mercola, Rachel Parent and many more.

The National Heirloom Exposition continues to grow and attract interest around the world as like-minded people come together to share information about pure foods, sustainable living, organic growing, and so many other topics relevant to adults, children, and future generations.

## TAKE PART!

Be an attendee, exhibitor, vendor, speaker or volunteer!  
 Join seed savers, farmers and gardeners from across the planet!  
**Save these Dates, Sept 5-7, 2017, Santa Rosa, CA**  
[www.theheirloomexpo.com](http://www.theheirloomexpo.com)  
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Learn from record breaking giant vegetable growers and compete for cash in the giant pumpkin contest! Come and enjoy the world class giants!



Come and learn from top horticultural experts about all things garden!



The exhibit halls allow for hours of pleasant browsing among the displays of thousands of varieties of heirloom fruits, vegetables & flowers!



Learn homesteading and country lifestyle skills from the masters! Learn permaculture, cob ovens, aquaponics & much more... We cover it all!



Meet America's historic birds at our poultry show. Learn from the experts.



Share seeds and stories with gardeners from across the globe; learn about the struggles of farming, seed saving & fighting GMOs. Join the seed swap!

# Live Plants

We are super excited to be offering a selection of small, live plants. These are produced for us by tissue culture, a natural technique that produces plants that are generally high-quality and disease free. With some stunning new food crops in our plant listing, we hope you will try some of the exciting rare plants we offer this year. Pre-order now, as supplies on some of these will be limited. The plants we ship are small but sturdy, and are guaranteed to make you happy. Most plants will be 5"-10" in height. Plants will ship as available after the first of March to the end of May. We will try to ship orders to southern zones first. No guaranteed exact delivery dates. No orders shipped outside of the USA. No Extra shipping costs; you just pay our regular \$3.50.



## ARONIA VIKING #PL101

*(Aronia melanocarpa)* Viking is a beautiful small shrub with a very flavorful fruit when used in juices, jams, and wines. Aronia is high in flavonoid/antioxidants, as well as high in vitamins and minerals. The fall red foliage is incredibly striking. Aronia is a staple in Eastern Europe backyard gardens and has great potential in the US. We offer 2 small plants that have been propagated through tissue culture, a simple way to make small cuttings disease free. 2 plants for \$13.00



## LONGEVITY SPINACH #PL103

*(Gynura procumbens)* Related to Okinawan Spinach, but lower-growing and more spreading. Reputed to have anti-viral and anti-cancer properties, and to be beneficial in the treatment of diabetes and numerous other conditions. Cultivated throughout southern and eastern Asia. Can be used raw, juiced or cooked. Also frequently made into a tea. Grows in frost-free, warm conditions. Easy to propagate from cuttings. 2 plants for \$10.00



## GOJI BERRY #PL104

*(Lycium barbarum)* Chinese native also known as Wolfberry. The red fruits are sweet and packed full of antioxidants and other nutrients--rightly called a "superfood!" This relative of peppers and tomatoes is hardy to 15 degrees, F., prefers full sun and somewhat dry, well-drained soil. Plants reach to 6 feet tall and look stunning with their silvery, laurel-like foliage and small flowers like purple stars. Goji Berry should fruit starting in the second year after planting. 2 plants for \$12.00



## MULBERRY, DWARF EVERBEARING #PL105

*(Morus nigra)* Morus nigra is a medium size black mulberry with a sweet tasty flavor. In pot culture it can be maintained as a dwarf with minor pruning. This ever-bearing mulberry will produce continuously in pots under warm and bright conditions. Mulberries have many health benefits: they strengthen the immune system and are good for eyesight. We offer 2 small plants that have been propagated through tissue culture, a simple way to make small cuttings disease free. 2 plants for \$13.00



## POSSUM PURPLE PASSION FRUIT #PL107

*(Passiflora edulis)* Self-fertile passion fruit that can be grown in containers, in the greenhouse, or outdoors in warmest climate zones. Prefers full sun and ample water. The delicious purple fruits are fine for eating out of hand, or processing into jellies, juices or desserts. The classic white, purple and cream-colored Passion flowers are stunning, especially when grown where they can be seen and appreciated close-up. Bees and butterflies love them as well. Climbing plants will require staking. 2 plants for \$12.00



## EDIBLE GINGER ROOT #PL110

*(Zingiber officinale)* Ginger root is the rhizome or underground stem of this Asian plant. Ginger root can be harvested at any time, but plants require several months of hot and fairly humid conditions to make the maximum yield. Plants may reach 4 feet in height. Mature roots are plump and sleek outside; white, juicy and aromatic within. May be grown outdoors in full sun in most of the country, lifting mature roots before ground freezes in autumn. Replant smaller roots next spring, preferably starting early in a sunny window sill or greenhouse. 2 plants for \$10.00



## YACON #PL113

*(Smallanthus sonchifolius)* Here's a delicious and unusual South American relative of Dahlia and Jerusalem Artichoke. Sweet potato-like tubers weigh up to 3 lbs and are produced in 3-5 months from planting. Yacon plants reach 4-5 feet in height and occasionally bloom, bearing small yellow daisies. Two types of tubers are produced: propagation tubers, at the center of the root mass, which can be divided and replanted in the spring, and the edible tubers, which grow outside the central ones. The flavor is like a crisp apple combined with Asian pear. The roots contain inulin (may be useful to diabetics), and possess antioxidant and pro-biotic qualities. 2 plants for \$14.00



## RARE FIG ASSORTMENT #PL121

*(Ficus)* An assortment of some of the world's most amazing and delicious fig varieties, with flavorful pink, green, or red flesh. Fruit will vary in size, depending on variety. Figs are super easy to grow and most thrive outside in zones 7-11. Many people grow them farther north with protection. We get massive amounts of fruit each year in our small Missouri greenhouse. Figs are delicious for fresh eating but also make incredible jams, jellies, desserts, and are delicious in salads and main dishes, as well! Young fig plants may need some protection, even in zones 7-8 if the winter is harsh, until they are well developed, but this can be easily done by either bringing them inside or wrapping them in cloth or landscape fabric. We offer 3 assorted small plants for \$15.00





**WHITE MARSEILLES FIG #PL131**

This is a spectacular old variety from Southern France, brought to the U.S in the 1700s by fig enthusiast and US president, Thomas Jefferson. These figs are especially suited for southern climates; Jefferson noted that he had to protect plants from the cold at his home in Virginia. They can be grown against a south facing wall to create optimal conditions. These are a gorgeous white-fleshed fig with a green-yellow outside. Jefferson, who really knew his figs, claimed that they were the best he had ever eaten. 2 plants for \$14.00



**THORNLESS BLACKBERRY ASSORTMENT #PL147 *New!***

Grow your own tasty blackberries at home without the pain of thorns! This assortment of blackberries features high yielding and super sweet varieties tolerant to a wide range of climates from zones 3-9. Thornless blackberries are easy to grow and the rewards are impressive, yielding loads of nutritious fruit. Includes 3 small plants. We are super excited to be offering a selection of live plants. These are produced for us by tissue culture, a natural process that produces plants that are generally high-quality and disease free. 3 small plants \$15.00

“Take only memories, leave nothing but footprints.” - Chief Seattle



**DRAGON FRUIT COLLECTION #PL123**

Grow outdoors in a sub-tropical climate or grow as an amazing greenhouse plant. It may take a few years to start producing, but when it does, be prepared for super delicious, pink fleshed fruit; yields year-round where conditions are right! Plants need little water and produce lovely blooms, too. (Most varieties are night-blooming; be prepared to hand-pollinate indoor-grown specimens.) We offer 3 assorted small plants for \$15.00



**EDGAR'S BABY DRAGON FRUIT #PL120**

(*Hylocereus hybrid*) Flavor of the magenta-fleshed fruits is very well balanced, a perfect blend of sweet and tart. Named in honor of the breeder, Edgar Valdivia, the ripe fruits had a Brix of 18°! According to Joe Simcox, this is the best tasting Dragonfruit in the world! Grow outdoors in a sub-tropical climate or grow as an amazing greenhouse plant. It may take a few years to start producing, but when it does, be prepared for super delicious, magenta-fleshed fruit! Plants need little water and produce lovely blooms, too. We offer 2 small plants for \$15.00



**HARDY KIWI COLLECTION #PL128**

(*Actinidia arguta*) This kiwi is a good producer of bite-sized kiwis. It has a tremendous cold hardiness and is easy to grow. Besides its rock-solid hardiness, one key element that makes this kiwi so special is its pineapple-like flavor! Use Actinidia agruta 'Hardy Male' as a pollinator. For zones 5-9. We offer 3 assorted plants (1 male & 2 female) plants for \$15.00



**FALL GOLD RASPBERRY #PL130**

This is one fruit that has won the hearts of all the Baker Creek staff. With so many scrumptious fruit, we just couldn't resist gleaming. Hotly debated around the Bakerville watering hole, it was decided that the golden raspberries taste even better than the red ones! These are super hardy, thriving in zones 3-9. The plants are ever-bearing and bear fruit only on first year wood; it is recommended to prune back canes that have finished fruiting, to make room for more fruiting canes. You will enjoy fruit all the way from June until October. Introduced 1967, by E.M. Meader of NH. We offer 3 small plants for \$15.00



**SCARLET STRAWBERRY #PL132**

This ancient variety of strawberry was popular in colonial America as well as 17th century Europe. Fruit have bright red skin and pure white flesh. These bear in June and are best eaten right out of the garden, they have superb flavor, not shipping quality. The amazing little berries are very different from other strawberries. Smaller than a hybrid garden berry, yet larger than an alpine variety, the berries are far more flavorful than anything we've ever tried. The crazy bubblegum-pineapple flavor is definitely kid approved-- Sasha loves them! Almost unheard of today, but is the best for flavor. 3 plants for \$12.00



**OLD NORTH SEA #PL133**

This is a cold hardy old variety from Denmark; it was found growing in an ancient, viking village site. Plants are low growing which makes them harder to spot by birds and also protects the delicate fruits from frost. These are a medium sized June bearer with a great flavor; fruit sets early. Very rare and hard to find. 3 plants for \$12.00



**DWARF BANANA COLLECTION #PL127**

Dwarf types with fruits ranging from dessert types to plantain (cooking) types. Height ranges from 6-14 feet in most cases, making these suitable for large container culture. This crop is easy to grow in the South and produces fruit rather quickly. Some varieties have green fruit and some red. You can grow these as far north as zone 8 with protection or in heated greenhouses or sun-rooms farther north. We love growing bananas in our Missouri greenhouse and get a crop in around a year. We offer 3 assorted small plants for \$15.00



**TRULY TINY BANANA #PL119**

(*Musa*) We believe this to be the smallest edible banana variety anywhere! "Truly tiny" plants mature at just 2-4 feet tall, making them ideal for greenhouse culture or containers, which is how it should be grown in most of the country. Leaves are very ornamental, with purple-red splashes and yield a small dessert-type banana. This crop is easy to grow in the South and produces fruit rather quickly for such a large plant. You can grow these as far north as zone 8 with protection or in heated greenhouses or sun-rooms farther north. We love growing bananas in our Missouri greenhouse and get a crop in under a year. 2 plants for \$15.00



**GUAVA ASSORTMENT #PL145 New!**

Grow your own delicious guavas at home! Although guavas are a tropical to semi-tropical fruit, this exciting assortment of pink and white fleshed varieties is perfectly adapted to container growing, making them suitable to grow anywhere in the U.S. Just bring plants indoors before frost. These fast growing trees are not fussy about soil quality and they are fairly drought tolerant. Fruits should appear within 2-3 years. Includes 2 assorted small plants. We are super excited to be offering a selection of live plants. These are produced for us by tissue culture, a natural process that produces plants that are generally high-quality and disease free. 2 Plants \$12.00

# Sweet Potato

(*Ipomea batatas*) The sweet potato is a drought and heat tolerant, warm season vegetable that is actually related to the morning glory. Although sweet potatoes are usually thought of as a southern staple, they can be grown in the north to zone 5 (or colder with protection)



**MOLOKAI PURPLE, SWEET POTATO #PL115**

(*Ipomea batatas*) Purple-fleshed type that is a locally-developed, signature type on the islands, but seldom offered elsewhere. Much higher in antioxidants than orange-fleshed types. Very sweet-fleshed and creamy, with overtones of chestnut in the flavor. Perfect as-is when baked or roasted, needing no further adornment. Deep purple flesh and skins. 3 plants for \$9.00



**JERSEY YELLOW, SWEET POTATO #PL116**

(*Ipomea batatas*) Plump, drier-fleshed type is medium creamy-golden skinned with cream-colored flesh. Remains firm and solid, even when cooked. A delicious type for curries, stews and perfect as sweet potato fries; an old fashioned favorite that has appeared on the tables of New Jersey families since 1780. 3 plants for \$9.00



**OMANI PINK, SWEET POTATO #PL118** (*Ipomea batatas*) A lovely pink skinned sweet potato from the deserts of Oman, a beautiful country on the Arabian peninsula. Found in a remote oasis in the northern mountains. This rare variety has a delicious dry flesh that is a nice cream color. Super good tasting and did well here in Missouri. 3 plants for \$9.00



**PUMPKIN YAM, SWEET POTATO #PL137 New!**

(*Ipomea batatas*) A delicious old-fashioned sweet potato that has golden-red skin and moist, flavorful flesh that is bright orange in color. The short bush-like vines produce good sized "clusters" of these earthly jewels. Easy to dig and grows well in our gardens. This variety was common for about 75 years and the first known mention was in 1868, but in modern times it has disappeared. So we are happy to bring it back into circulation and back to America's dinner tables. A tasty treat that is part of our country's history, although it may have been introduced here from Brazil. Very rare and hard to find! 3 plants for \$9.00



**OKINAWAN PURPLE, SWEET POTATO #PL117**

(*Ipomea batatas*) Descended from the first sweet potatoes to reach Japan prior to 1500. The purple coloration is connected with the high anthocyanin content. This one is documented to contain more of the potent antioxidant than even blueberries! Ivory-colored skin, brilliant purple flesh. 3 plants for \$9.00



**RARE SWEET POTATO COLLECTION #PL134**

**New!** (*Ipomea batatas*) We love collecting rare sweet potatoes, but some we have in limited quantities! In this collection you may receive lavender-hued beauties, deep purple rarities, white wonders, or yellow rooted winners. All of these varieties are hard to find and may be some of the varieties listed in the catalog, or any of the rare varieties in our collection. You will receive 4 unique varieties. 4 plants for \$12.00

# AMARANTH

## THE ANCIENT GRAIN CROP OF THE AZTECS

100-200 seeds per packet. Warm-season, New World native adds lots of color to the garden. This crop is easy to grow and makes delicious greens and grain. A good ornamental plant for landscaping. Amaranth seed is one of the most complete proteins available from any plant. Direct-sow the tiny seeds when soil is warm, barely covering, and thin to 1-2 feet apart. Can also be started indoors and transplanted.

John Brazaitis, General Manager



### DREADLOCKS #AM144

A fountain of eye-catching magenta-burgundy blooms! Here's a different amaranth—curious flower-heads in a weeping habit, with "tassels" sometimes reaching down to the ground. Plants seldom exceed 3 feet in height. A form of Love-Lies-Bleeding, so the seeds and young leaves are edible. Combine with Spider Flower or flowering tobacco for some serious drama! Pkt \$2.75



### GREEN CALALOO #AM126

A popular green vegetable in many countries, including many islands of the Caribbean where this plant is famous for Calaloo Seafood Soup. Light green leaves are great in stews, stir-fries and soups, having a tangy, spinach-like flavor. Easy to grow in warm weather. Pkt \$2.00



### AURELIA'S VERDE #AM141

Native amaranth from Guatemala that flowers light green; primarily used for grain which is rich in vitamin B, vitamin A, vitamin E and iron; this variety has been revived in the Mayan communities of Baja Verapaz after almost being lost during the civil war; named after Aurelia, the woman whose family revived and saved seeds of this amaranth. Pkt \$2.50



### ELENA'S ROJO #AM142

Red-flowering Guatemalan amaranth from Guatemala, where amaranth has been a staple crop for many centuries. This grain type amaranth has recently been revived in the Mayan communities of Baja Verapaz after almost being lost during the civil war. Named after Elena, an indigenous farmer who was primarily responsible for the recovery of this rare local variety. Pkt \$2.50



### ORANGE GIANT AMARANTH #AM121

Ornamental 6- to 8-foot tall plants produce giant, golden orange heads, with the stems golden as well. Each plant can produce up to 1 lb of seed; a beautiful variety that is tasty and productive. Pkt \$2.50



### HOPI RED DYE #AM134

Originally grown as a dye plant by the southwestern Hopi Nation, this variety has the reddest seedlings of any amaranth known, making it a natural for micro-green mixes! Plants reach 4-6 feet and cut a most striking figure in the garden! The Hopis use the deep-red flower bract as a natural dye to color their world-renowned piki bread. Pkt \$2.50



### LOVE-LIES-BLEEDING RED #AM103

60 days. Tall, 3'- 4' plants are covered with very long rope-like flowers that are a deep, brilliant red color. One of the most striking plants for any garden and so easy to grow. Amaranth is one of our favorite crops! A good seed producer, too. This is a very old heirloom, a pre-1700 variety, that was very popular. Leaves are tasty as cooked greens. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$8.50

# ASPARAGUS

Beloved early-spring crop in Europe since ancient times, asparagus is a perennial plant that starts slow but yields for many years. The best way to grow from seed is to start indoors 2-3 months before last frost. Be sure that the young seedlings receive bright light to make strong growth. Set young plants outdoors when weather is warm, growing them in a nursery bed of your finest soil, where they will receive attentive care. In fall, or the following spring, set the plants into their final garden location—spacing them 2 feet or more from their neighbors. Modest yield may be taken the third year, and a full harvest every spring thereafter.



## MARY WASHINGTON #AS101

Popular variety, long green spears. Great taste and has been the most popular asparagus in American gardens for the last century. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50 or 1 oz \$7.00



## PRECOCE D'ARGENTEUIL #AS102

An old traditional heirloom, this gourmet variety is highly esteemed in Europe for its delicious stems with rose-colored buds that can be blanched white. Italian Seed. Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.75

*“Every home garden should have a bed of Asparagus. It has become one of the most favorite and profitable garden crops; and makes a return early in the Spring before any other out-of-door crop can be marketed, and when a bed is well established it will yield splendid crops for a number of years.” --Mills Seeds, 1912 catalog*

# ARTICHOKE & CARDOON

Originated in the Mediterranean region. Long-season plants won't overwinter reliably north of Zone 7. To get a crop of artichokes in one year, start seeds indoors in pots 2-3 months before last frost date in spring. Move the pots outdoors when four leaves have developed, when temperatures are occasionally freezing, protecting them if temps fall below 29 degrees. 2-4 weeks of exposure to cool temps “vernalizes” young seedlings, preparing them to bloom later in the season after plants have grown large. Cardoon may also be started early indoors, but vernalizing isn't necessary. Both kinds are then grown in very rich soil, in full sun. They need excellent drainage but ample moisture. They may benefit from some mid-afternoon shade in hot-summer areas.



## GOBBO DI NIZZIA #AR103

A rare cardoon from Italy, its broad white stalks are eaten fried, sauteed, pickled and in soups. Italians eat it raw, dipped in olive oil. The root is also edible, tasty, and can be used like parsnips. The plant is similar in culture and appearance to artichokes. Cardoons have been popular in Europe since ancient Rome. Beautiful ornamental plants. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.50



## GREEN GLOBE #AR101

Tasty; needs a fairly long, mild growing season, or grow as an annual. A colorful plant that makes a great ornamental. Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.50 or 1 oz \$7.50



## VIOLET DE PROVENCE #AR107

This French heirloom is noted for its fine flavor and pretty purple buds that are lovely on the big, ornamental plants, especially when the buds open. Rare outside Europe. Pkt (25 seeds) \$3.00



## PURPLE OF ROMAGNA #AR105

Large, round-headed purple chokes, tender and tasty, perfect for warm season areas, or grow with shelter. So popular with chefs, and is a sure seller at the finer markets. We are proud to introduce this regional Italian favorite. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.50



## ROUGE D'ALGER #AR106

This exciting heirloom Cardoon was developed in Algeria, hence the name. It has big, edible and ornamental stalks that are blushed in pale red, which is so striking against the blue-green leaves. The flowers are also beautiful and can be cooked before the buds open, like a small artichoke. One of the prettiest historic varieties you can plant. Pkt (25 seeds) \$3.00

# BEANS

THIS NATIVE AMERICAN CROP IS EASY TO GROW!

(Phaseolus vulgaris) 40-60 seeds per packet. An ancient staple crop grown throughout North and South America. Plant in Spring after danger of frost and again in early Summer for a fall crop. Plant in rows, and space seeds 2"-4" apart. Pole types do better with trellising. Easy to grow!



## BLUE LAKE BUSH 274 #BN119

60 days. This dark-green bean has been a standard for over 40 years. The bush plants set heavy yields of flavorful pods that are tender and crisp. Developed in 1961 from the Pole Blue Lake. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/2 lb \$5.50



## BLAUHILDE #BN165

Pole. 65 days. Spectacular climbing type makes enormous purple pods! Pods stay tender and stringless, even at 10 inches long! Plants are gorgeous in the garden as well, with the rose-purple of the blooms contrasting nicely with the rich, deep purple of the developing pods. Vigorous, productive vines reach a moderate 9 feet in height. The richly-flavored pods are best appreciated when used fresh off the vines. This heirloom from Germany is tolerant to mosaic virus, too. Pkt \$2.75

## CANTARE #BN153

Bush, 50-55 days. Superior producer of nice straight dark-green pods for snaps. The slim 4-5-inch pods are stringless and the flavor is every bit as outstanding as the yield! This French variety makes a fine crop for market growers or home gardeners. Excellent tolerance to bean mosaic virus. Pkt \$2.50



## CHEROKEE TRAIL OF TEARS #BN134

Pole, 65 days. This heirloom was brought from Tennessee by the Cherokee people as they were marched to Oklahoma by the Federal Government in 1839 over the infamous "Trail of Tears" that left so many dead and suffering. This prolific variety is good as a snap or dry bean and has shiny, black beans. Vigorous, vining plants. Pkt \$2.75



## BEURRE DE ROCQUENCOURT #BN128

Bush. A productive heirloom wax bean named for Rocquencourt, France, a town in France's rich farming country. Wax beans were introduced to France in the 1840's from Algeria, and this variety is surely a descendant of those early beans. The bush plants set good yields early and produce well in most climates. These beans are favored by cooks for their fine-flavored pods that are a bright waxy-yellow in color. This variety was listed in *Mother Earth News* as a favorite of well-known writer William Woys Weaver. Pkt \$2.75

## CONTENDER (BUFF VALENTINE) #BN102

Bush, 50 days. A superb bush bean with huge yields of excellent-quality pods. Earlier than most others & perfect for market. Intro. 1949. Pkt \$2.50





**DRAGON TONGUE #BN126 A Favorite!**

Bush. This famous Dutch heirloom bean has an incomparable flavor. The tender and superbly delicious 7" pods are yellow with amazing purple streaks! Also makes a tasty shelled bean. Popular with chefs and gourmets. Compact plants set high yields. Pkt \$2.75



**BLACK TURTLE #BN169**

Bush, 95 days--Splendid dark purple-black bean that is widely grown throughout Latin America, and known there by numerous common names. The compact bush plants are very productive and yield reliably even in the north! Flavor is rich and texture is meaty—try these in vegetarian chili or as frijoles refritos in burritos. Due to the coloration, this variety offers the bonus of high anthocyanin content, too! Pkt \$3.00

**BORLOTTO DI VIGEVANO NANO #BN191**

*New!* Bush, 60 days. These beautiful beans are a sensation at the farmers market and with local-food chefs. Grown primarily for the stunning pink and white seeds, which make superior shell beans. Can be used as a snap bean, as well. Straight, round pods splashed in red. Pkt \$2.75



**CALIMA #BN144**

Bush, 50-55 days. French filet type pods of dark green color, slim straight shape, and superior flavor! Pods are held conveniently at the top of the stocky bushes; pick them when no thicker than a pencil. Fine for fresh use, canning and freezing. Pkt \$2.75

## BEANS CAN BE PLANTED IN BOTH SPRING AND SUMMER FOR A LONG HARVEST OF PODS!

**BORLOTTO BUSH OR TONGUES OF FIRE #BN141** Bush, 65-70 day. Also known as Horto. Reputedly originated in Tierra del Fuego in South America, but extremely popular in Italy, where cooks like the beans' subtle characteristic of picking up other flavors from a dish. Bush-type plants yield pods of green with flame-like red streaks, making great snaps when very young; beans are light pink with darker red mottling, reminiscent of the Cranberry Bean. Makes an outstanding baked bean. Pkt \$2.75



**GOOD MOTHER STALLARD #BN148** Pole, 85-90 days. Gorgeous, plump maroon-and-white beans are great in soups, where their creamy texture and hearty, nutty flavor really shine. Generations of gardeners have grown this pole variety that yields 5-6 beans per pod—outstandingly productive! Originally introduced by our friend Glenn Drowns. Superior in baked beans, and also makes a fine shell bean. Pkt \$2.75



**GOLDEN BUTTERWAX BEAN #BN190** *New!* Bush. 50 days. An old favorite that has been praised by gardeners for superior flavor, impressive yield and natural disease resistance since the 1800s. Golden butterwax bean was originally introduced by D.M Ferry and Co. in 1876. Oodles of 5 inch long, bright yellow beans are produced on compact 16-18 inch tall plants that remain upright and sturdy. Excellent choice for canning and freezing. Pkt \$2.75



**HIDATSA RED INDIAN #BN146** Half-runner, 85 days. Here's another Dakota variety, so you know it's rugged! This one comes from the Hidatsa people of the upper Missouri River Valley; was introduced in Oscar Will's Pioneer Indian Collection of seeds in 1915. Plump rose-red beans for dry use; plants climb only 3 feet or so. Pkt \$2.75



**FORT PORTAL JADE #BN186** *New!* Pole. Amazing jewel-toned green beauties! Dried beans are a glassy blue-green color—unlike anything we have seen before, so stunning! Plants are extremely productive—they flourished both in the greenhouse and outdoors in the garden. Color will not fully develop until the beans are completely dried. Introduced several years ago by our Canadian friends at Richters Seeds, and collected by Joseph Simcox in a market at Fort Portal, Uganda. Pkt \$4.50



**GOLDEN WAX #BN104** 55 days. Delicious golden-yellow pods are stringless and are of good quality with extra-fine rich flavor. This old-time favorite is a bush plant. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/2 lb \$5.50



**LANDRETH STRINGLESS #BN151** Bush, 55 days. This meaty variety debuted in 1885. It is a flavorful, stringless bean and boasts heavy yields. The pods are medium green in color and a little over 5" long. The seeds are a rich chocolate or coffee brown. D. Landreth Seed Co., one of the oldest surviving American seed houses, proudly proclaimed it as a favorite; "one of the finest pod varieties for the home garden, market garden and canner." Pkt \$2.50



**JACOB'S CATTLE #BN115** Bush. An old-time bean from the New England states, the white and maroon-mottled beans have long been a staple for baking and soups. This early, bush variety is also good as a snap bean. Pkt \$2.50



**OLD HOMESTEAD (KENTUCKY WONDER POLE) #BN105** 65 days. This homesteaders' heirloom was first mentioned in *The Country Gentleman* magazine in 1864 under the name of Texas Pole. It was not until 1877 that it was introduced as Kentucky Wonder by James J.H. Gregory & Sons and has been popular ever since. It is a pole bean with 6"- 8" green pods that are very tender when cooked and have a great flavor. In 1896 Peter Henderson & Co. said, "This we regard as far ahead of any other green Pole Bean." They also said it was 10 days earlier. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/2 lb \$5.50



**PURPLE PODDED POLE #BN114**  
This delicious heirloom was discovered in the Ozark mountains by Henry Fields in the 1930's and is still requested by many old-timers of this region. The pods are bright purple, stringless, and tender. Plants grow to 6' and produce heavy yields. Pkt \$3.00



**PURPLE TEEPEE #BN162**  
Bush, 60 days. Super-productive bush type, yielding straight, purple pods. These are held above the foliage--a great advantage that makes the pods easier to see and harvest, and keeps them from contact with the ground. Pick them young, at 4-5 inches, for flavorful, tender snaps.. Pkt \$2.75

**"When you do the common things in life in an uncommon way, you will command the attention of the world."** -George Washington Carver



**PURPLE DOVE BUSH #BN150**  
Bush, 55 days. Here's a spectacular offering from plant breeder, the late Robert Lobitz. Gorgeous violet-purple, flat to slightly round pods are very well flavored. Bush plants show a slight tendency to run; staking is not required but this trait makes them super productive over a long season. Seeds are a lovely violet-color, too! Pkt \$3.50



**RED SWAN BUSH #BN181**  
Bush, 55 days. Here's another beautiful selection from the late Robert Lobitz, the Minnesota bean man. This is the most uniquely-colored bean we have seen, nearly a true red shade on the thick, flavorful pods. Lovely pink flowers, too! A wonderful variety that is so lovely looking and yields well. Pkt \$3.50



**RATTLESNAKE POLE #BN109**  
This pole bean is easy to grow and produces lots of green pods that have purple streaks. Good flavor and very tender; the speckled seeds are popular in soup. This variety is great for hot, humid areas. Pkt \$3.00



**ROMA II #BN107**  
Bush, 55 days. This is an improved Romano, bush-type, green bean that produces loads of 6" to 7"-wide pods that are very flavorful. Pkt \$2.25 or 1/2 lb \$5.50



# FAVA BEANS

(*Vicia faba*) Mediterranean native that is quite different from ordinary beans. Prefers cool weather.



## BROAD WINDSOR FAVA #FB101

75 days. Yields gourmet high-protein beans on upright non-branching plants. An old English favorite. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.50



## AQUADULCE FAVA #FB103

85 days. This 19th-century Spanish heirloom produces large, white beans, extra early in the season; a great protein source for cool climate areas. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.50



## EXTRA PRECOCE A GRANO VIOLETTO

#FB105 This extra early variety produces long pods that are filled with 6 large beans that are a pretty purple color and are sweet tasting. A unique and colorful variety from Italy. Pkt (25 seeds) \$3.00

## SWEET LORANE FAVA #FB102 *New!*

100 days. An exceptional feat in natural plant breeding, this small-seeded fava is extremely cold hardy and well adapted to being grown as a winter cover crop but boasts the flavor and size of an eating fava. A perfect combination—especially for the home gardener, now we can have our cover crops and eat them too! The flavor is much less tannic than cover crop favas and tastes like a chickpea when eaten fresh! Pkt (25 seeds) \$3.00



## MASTERPIECE FAVA #FB106

Enormous pods contain up to 7 large, flat, green favas each! This is arguably the finest English fava variety known. That's saying a lot, because the English love their favas. Won a Royal Horticultural Society award for productivity. Robust plants can get to about 3 feet tall. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



# BEANS OTHER



## ASIAN WINGED BEAN #AB112

(*Psophocarpus tetragonolobus*) This is one of the most unique beans; it produces delicious pods with four winged edges, the leaves are cooked like spinach and the roots have a delicious, nutty flavor. This high-protein bean is an excellent crop and is so useful in the kitchen. The plants are tropical and do best in warm areas. They will not produce well when the days are long, so it may not yield until fall. Soak seeds 24 hours before planting. We have had a hard time keeping any winged beans on the shelf ever since *Mother Earth News* ran an article on this bean. Limited quantities. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



## HYACINTH BEAN "MOONSHADOW" #AB106

(*Dolichos lablab*) Beautiful purple pods are used in Asia as a curry and stir-fry vegetable. Pick when small and tender, as **old pods and dry beans may be poisonous!** The long, rambling vine is also very ornamental with lilac-colored blossoms and purple stems. Thomas Jefferson planted this fine bean at Monticello. Pkt (25 seeds) \$3.00



## JICAMA OR YAM BEAN #AB105

(*Pachyrhizus erosus*) 120 days. Long vines can grow twenty feet long and produce delicious tubers. These have become very popular in the last few years. Very long season; these must be started very early in all areas except the deep South. Caution: **The seeds and pods are poisonous**, but the small pods are cooked in the Philippines. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.50



## GOLDEN GARBANZO #JS314 *NEW!*

In India it is a crop that is grown in the cooler season. Garbanzos actually do quite well in many parts of the US, including the Northwestern states, and even in the northeast in Maine. This form of Garbanzo is very popular in Western and Central India. A great crop that needs to be experimented with. (25 seeds) \$4.00

# LIMA BEANS

TRY THE AMAZING FLAVOR OF FRESH LIMAS!

(*Phaseolus lunatus*) Originally grown in South America. Grown and harvested the same as common beans. Limas love warm weather, but won't thrive in extreme heat.



## CHRISTMAS- POLE LIMA #LB104

95 days. Very large white beans with beautiful, dark red splashes, rich flavor; heavy yields even in very hot weather; long vines. Heirloom. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.50



## JACKSON WONDER BUSH LIMA #LB102

75 days. Introduced in 1888 by David Landreth & Sons. Heavy yields of small-to-medium-sized, tan and purple-brown-speckled beans. Pods can also be cooked when young. Pkt (40 seeds) \$2.50



## KING OF THE GARDEN LIMA

#LB105 90 days. Large 8'-10' vines yield very LARGE white lima beans and give huge yields over a long season. An heirloom from 1883, introduced by Frank S. Platt. An old-fashioned favorite, excellent for home gardeners. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.00



## DIXIE SPECKLED BUTTERPEA #LB103

75 days. Very productive. Beans are about the size of peas; red-speckled with a deep purple-rust color and grow well in hot weather. A delicious baby lima. Bush plants. Pkt (40 seeds) \$2.75



## HENDERSON'S BUSH LIMA #LB101

70 days. Introduced in 1888 by Peter Henderson & Co. and one of their most famous varieties; still popular to this day. In 1888 Henderson offered \$100 cash for plants bearing the most pods and proclaimed it "A VEGETABLE WONDER!!!" "Can and should be grown in every garden," and also said "of all the Novelties...ever sent out, there is nothing so entirely distinct and valuable as this New Vegetable." Dwarf bush plants can be grown like regular bush beans. Very tasty, tender beans, and very early too! Pkt (40 seeds) \$2.50

# RUNNER BEAN

DELICIOUS, GIANT GREEN PODS!

(*Phaseolus coccineus*) Another New World native. Grown like ordinary green beans with one major difference: they prefer cooler temperatures.



## GOLDEN SUNSHINE #RB108

85 days. Here is something really unusual: it's a runner bean, but the scarlet flowers are displayed above brilliant chartreuse foliage! The striking 5-6 foot vines really crank out the 6-8 inch, hefty pods, so good for fresh use or preserving. Like all runner beans, prefers mild weather. Pkt (25 seeds) \$3.50



## BARNSIDE SWEET #RB110

80 days. Scarlet-flowered runner bean routinely reaches 25 feet in height! Transform unsightly buildings, including barns, into a wall of hummingbird-attracting flowers. Pods can grow to 10-12 inches. Very sweet and tender when eaten at the immature stage, a great variety for freezing for winter use as green beans. For over 30 years Roger L. Smith of Norton Creek Farm, in Northern California has been selecting for height and aphid resistance. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.50



## SCARLET RUNNER #RB101

80 days. Used by native Americans, large, beautiful, vigorous vines grow over 10'. Flowers are very ornamental, in clusters of the brightest scarlet. Good for snap, shell or dry beans. The huge seeds are very colorful, violet-purple mottled in black. These beans like fairly cool weather. Pkt (25 seeds) \$3.00



## PAINTED LADY #RB104

Traditional English bi-color grown since 1596! The name refers to Queen Elizabeth I, "who was heavily made up with rouge and white chalk." The gorgeous flowers of red and white are among the most beautiful of flowering beans. The large beans are also good as snaps, freshly shelled or as dry beans, which are chocolate and tan mottled in color. Pkt (25 seeds) \$3.50



## SUNSET #RB109 65-70 days.

Runner beans are all attractive enough for flower gardens or patios, but this one is in a class by itself: luminous peach to shell-pink blossoms are absolutely unique in our experience. Vines to 6 feet or so are covered in due course with cascades of runner bean pods, equally wonderful whether used as fresh snaps, canned or frozen, or as shell beans. Lovely! Pkt (25 seeds) \$3.00

# SOYA BEANS

TASTY EDAMAME!

(*Glycine max*) One of the world's oldest crops. Grown in Asia for thousands of years where it is a staple protein source, making it one of the world's largest protein sources for over 1000 years.

**GMO TESTED:** GMOs were NOT found in any of the soy varieties listed in our catalog.



## CHIBA GREEN (EDAMAME)

#SY113 **NEW!**

70-80 days. An even earlier edamame soybean, this one was bred to mature a full 10 days before Midori Giant. While this variety is hailed for its productivity and large beans, the flavor and quality are not compromised. Beans taste amazing fresh, steamed or dried. Plants reach 2 feet tall but remain compact. Beans mature uniformly on the plant for an easier harvest. Pkt (30 seeds) \$4.00



## MIDORI GIANT (EDAMAME) #SY112

**NEW!** 80-95 days. The quintessential edamame soybean! Midori giant is appreciated for heavy yields and early maturity. The large, bright green beans are considered one of the best for fresh edamame. Beans dry to a yellow color. Plants reach two feet tall and are highly branched and sturdy, requiring no staking. This variety is very well suited to all climates in the U.S and is considered a very dependable variety that is perfect for both large scale and small scale agriculture. Pkt (30 seeds) \$4.00

# LONG BEANS

NO STRINGS! TENDER, SUPER-SIZED PODS!

(*Vigna unguiculata*) A staple crop of East Asia, where they have been grown for centuries. Delicious young pods are very tender, crisp and nearly never have "strings". Easy to grow in all but the coldest climates. 25-35 seeds per packet.



## CHINESE RED NOODLE BEAN #LG109

80 days. This is the most stunning and unique bean I have grown yet. Fantastic, deep red, 18" pods are so delicious and full of nutrition, and they even keep most of their color when sauteed! Long vines produce all summer and do well under many conditions. This incredible variety will draw lots of attention in your home garden or at market. We are so excited to offer this unique, Chinese ethnic variety that produces fairly early. Small red seeds. Pkt \$3.00

## CHINESE GREEN NOODLE BEAN #LG102

Here is an early variety of long bean imported from China. 20" pods are straight and smooth, bright green, and of excellent quality. This hardy long bean is easy to grow almost anywhere. Very tasty stir-fried. Pkt \$2.50

## CHINESE MOSAIC LONG BEAN #LG110

Lovely, lavender-pink-shaded pods measure 12"-18" long and are crisp and flavorful. The vigorous vines produce loads of tender Chinese beans. Very popular here at Baker Creek and sure to become a favorite of gourmets everywhere! A real standout that is quick to come into production. Pkt \$3.00



## THAI PURPLE PODDED YARD LONG #LG117

Vigorous, high-yielding Thai variety. The lovely, deep-purple pods have green tips, are crisp and stay tender to amazing lengths, often reaching 20 inches! The productive variety is a local favorite in Thailand where long beans are appreciated as a very important staple crop. Pkt \$2.50



## THAI SOLDIER #LG122

Vigorous bush habit for those who want to grow long beans but prefer not to trellis. Foot-long pods are firm and very flavorful. Pods are strikingly different in appearance, having tiger-stripes in dark red-brown. Superior variety from Thailand, where long beans are a staple crop. Unusual and very choice! Pkt \$3.00

# BEETS

DELICIOUS LEAVES AND ROOTS, HIGH IN NUTRITION

(*Beta vulgaris*) 250 seeds per packet. An Old World crop known to the Romans but not cultivated for roots until much later. A delicious and easy-to-grow crop, sown in early spring or late summer in most areas, succession-planted spring through fall in cooler summer climates. Forage types yield amazing quantities of large roots for livestock but may also be harvested for table use, both for greens and roots, when taken young. The "seeds" are actually capsules containing several seeds, so thin plantings adequately; be sure to use the thinnings as baby greens.



## ALBINO #BT108

55 days. A pure white, fairly smooth round heirloom beet from Holland. Its super sweet white flesh is unusual and tasty. The greens are also good. This beet can be used for making sugar. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.75 or 1 oz \$14.00



## BULL'S BLOOD #BT101

50 days. This beautiful beet has deep reddish-purple leaves! Very sweet and delicious, the baby leaves are a rage in salads. The beets are tasty too, and have pretty pink rings inside. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$5.50



## MAMMOTH RED MANGEL #BT107

100 days. Huge, up to 20 lbs each; large yields per acre. Highly used for livestock feed in the 1800's or picked small for table use. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$4.50



## CRAPAUDINE #BT114

In 1885, the French book *The Vegetable Garden* stated this is one of the oldest varieties. Today some experts feel this may be the oldest beet still in existence, possibly dating back 1000 years. This unique variety is one of the most flavorful, with carrot-shaped roots that have rough, dark colored skin which looks like tree bark. Inside, the roots are very dark, with almost black flesh that is of superior quality and sought after by chefs who want real flavor. We are proud to offer this rare old selection. Pkt \$2.50



## SUGAR BEET #BT120

95 days. White-fleshed conical roots are larger than our Albino Beet, and have a very high sucrose content. May be grown for sugar production or as a higher-calorie stock fodder. Roots frequently exceed two pounds in weight, and under ideal conditions are as much as 20 percent sucrose! We sell only GMO-free seed. Pkt \$2.50

PRODUCED ALMOST YEAR-ROUND ON OUR MISSOURI FARM



**CHIOGGIA (BASSANO) #BT104**

60 days. A pre-1840 Italian heirloom beet, this variety arrived in the USA prior to 1865. They have light red skin and beautiful rings inside, like red and white candy stripes. The flesh is very tender, mild, and sweet. Named after a fishing town in Italy; a favorite here. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$5.50



**DETROIT DARK RED #BT110**

55 days. The most popular, old standard, all-purpose red beet; uniform and smooth, blood red flesh that is sweet and tasty. 14" tops make good greens. Heirloom variety introduced 1892. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$4.50



**CROSBY'S EGYPTIAN #BT105**

55 days. Introduced to this country in 1869 and trialed by Peter Henderson, who recommended it in 1871. This improved "Crosby's" strain was first offered by J. H. Gregory. This beet is early, tender, & fine flavored. Pkt \$2.25



**EARLY WONDER #BT103**

50 days. An old heirloom, pre-1811 variety. Early, smooth, round beet makes lots of tall tender greens, too! Perfect pickled, fresh, cooked, or in borscht. Pkt \$2.25 or 1 oz \$4.50



**GOLDEN BEET #BT102**

55 days. This variety dates back to the 1820s or before. The beets are a rich, golden-yellow and very sweet. A beautiful beet that won't bleed like red beets. The greens are also very tasty. The most popular variety with our staff. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$8.00

**CYLINDRA OR FORMANOVA #BT111**

55 days. A wonderful heirloom from Denmark, this one is famous for slicing with its long, cylindrical roots. Produces much more uniform slices than round beets. This tender and sweet variety is also known as "Butter Slicer" because of its wonderful texture. Pkt \$2.00 or 1 oz \$4.50

# BRUSSELS SPROUTS

THRIVES IN COOL WEATHER

(*B. oleracea*) 150 seeds per packet. Old World cabbage relatives that are grown for succulent flower heads or buds. Brussels sprouts originated in the Mediterranean but were perfected in Belgium, possibly as early as 1200 AD. Brussels sprouts are a cool season biennial, so they thrive in places with long, cool growing seasons. For growers with mild winters, Brussels sprouts grow best as a winter crop; they can tolerate cold much better than heat. Try to grow when temperatures range between 30 to 75 degrees.



## CATSKILL #BS103

(*B. oleracea*) 100 days. Hardy, dwarf plants produce tasty, uniform sprouts. Developed by Arthur White of Arkport, NY, in 1941. Pkt (150 seeds) \$2.50



## GRONINGER #BS105 *New!*

Groninger is an easy to grow, steady producing variety. These medium to small sprouts are an ideal choice for first timers. Sprouts form a tight head and maintain a delicate flavor even in variable weather. Groninger Brussels can handle a light frost and will improve in flavor with the cold weather. This variety has received the RHS Award of Garden Merit. Pkt (150 seeds) \$2.50



## RED RUBINE #BS106 *New!*

A hard-to-find heirloom variety that really is colorful in cool late fall weather. Easily one of the most exciting additions to our catalog this year, red Brussels sprouts stand out in the garden and on the plate. The stunning purple red sprouts are filled with antioxidants. These have a really nice, sweet flavor when grown in cool weather. Pkt (150 seeds) \$3.00



## LONG ISLAND IMPROVED #BS101

100 days. The standard open-pollinated variety since the 1890's. Heavy yields of delicious sprouts. Pkt \$2.50 **or 1 oz \$4.00**

# BROCCOLI

ENJOY REAL HOME-GROWN FLAVOR!

(*B. oleracea*) 300 seeds per packet. Old World cabbage relatives that are grown for succulent flower heads or buds. Needs rich soil, abundant moisture, and cool weather (but avoid prolonged exposure to temps below 50 degrees). Broccoli is harvested when the tiny buds are full-sized, but before they begin to open.



## GOLIATH BROCCOLI #BR120 *New!*

75 days. This variety lives up to its name. It can grow to be massive in good conditions. High quality heads with tight curds are great for marketing. Sends off plenty of side shoots after the main head is harvested. Pkt \$2.75



## EARLY PURPLE SPROUTING

#BR102 An English heirloom variety, bred for overwintering. Produces lots of purple broccoli sprouts in the spring. Grows slowly through the winter; very frost hardy. A great variety that is very hard to find in this country; delicious! Pkt \$2.50 **or 1 oz \$8.50**



## WALTHAM 29 #BR105

Standard type, produces 4-8" green heads that are nicely flavored. Compact plants also produce some side shoots. Introduced in 1954. A favorite here at the farm. Pkt \$2.50



## ROMANESCO ITALIA

#BR104 The true and popular Italian heirloom with spiraling, apple-green heads that are so superbly flavored. This variety is widely grown in northern Italy. A must with many of the finest chefs. Pkt \$2.75 **or 1 oz \$7.50**



## CALABRESE GREEN SPROUTING

#BR101 An Italian heirloom brought to America in the 1880s; 5"-8" heads and many side shoots. Pkt \$2.50 **or 1 oz \$5.00**



## RAPINI #BR103

(*B. rapa*) An Italian non-heading broccoli grown for flavorful, asparagus-like spring shoots and leaves. Great to cook or in salads. Pkt \$2.00

# CABBAGE

## A STAPLE FOOD SUPPLY!

(*B. oleracea*) 300 seeds per packet. Cabbage does best in a long season of mild weather, but it is also very hardy and may be grown to maturity in the cool weather of late autumn. Spring plantings are best started indoors and transplanted out about the time of last frost; summer plantings may be seeded right in the garden. We recommend early varieties for spring planting and longer-season, large-heading varieties for a fall crop.



### **AUBERVILLIERS #CB117**

70 days. Gorgeously crinkled, savoy-type leaves are produced within dense heads. These are round to slightly flattened, and often weigh 3 pounds or more. This European heirloom variety is seldom available in the US. Mainly grown for fresh use, and has been since the turn of the 20th century, when it was a favorite at Paris markets. Usually grown for a fall crop, where its earliness, mild flavor and tolerance to cold are especially valued. Pkt \$2.25



### **MAMMOTH RED ROCK #CB105**

90 days. A large heirloom cabbage from 1889 with deep red heads that have good flavor and are very colorful. Pkt \$2.50



### **RED EXPRESS #CB114**

Newly released open-pollinated red cabbage, the first in many years! Specifically bred for Canada and northern tier of USA. Compact plants, extra early production of solid, split-resistant oval heads to only 2-3 pounds. Pkt \$2.50

### **KALIBOS #CB119**

85 days. Incredibly graceful appearance would qualify Kalibos for the flower garden! But this European variety is eminently useful, as well. The conical, long, heart-shaped, 2-pound heads of deep red are on the small side, ideal for a single dish. The color is so beautiful when the leaves are shredded into slaw. Flavor is mild and very sweet. They're good keepers, as well, allowing you to enjoy your fall harvest well into winter. Pkt \$3.00



## HUGE PRODUCER OF NUTRIENT-DENSE FOOD



### **QUINTAL D'ALSACE CABBAGE #CB123 *NEW!***

120 days. Cultivated for over 150 years, this hardy variety has withstood the test of time. Nick-named "Hundredweight" which is a nod to its gargantuan size. Heads are slightly flattened with light green leaves. Exceptionally cold hardy. Pkt \$3.00



### **NERO DI TOSCANA OR BLACK PALM TREE #CB101**

60 days. This loose-leafed cabbage dates back to the early 1800's at least. It has beautiful, deep black-green leaves that can be 24" long. They are heavily savoyed. This Italian heirloom is popular in Tuscany and central Italy for making fabulous soups and stews. One of the most beautiful and flavorful types you can grow. Pkt \$2.50 *or 1 oz \$6.00*



### **BRUNSWICK #CB102**

A large drumhead cabbage, very cold hardy. A fall/winter type cabbage, stores very well. Introduced in 1924, it is an excellent market variety that is becoming rare. Pkt \$2.00



### **PERFECTION DRUMHEAD SAVOY #CB110**

95 days. This large drumhead-type has finely-creinkled, savoyed leaves that are mild and sweet in flavor; compact short-stemmed plants. This heirloom was introduced before 1888 and is an excellent keeper. Pkt \$2.00 *or 1 oz \$4.50*



### **COUR DI BUE #CB108**

Tender, 3 to 4-lb, pointed, oxheart-type heads; very good for home use or specialty markets. We offer quality Italian seed for this old European heirloom. This type of cabbage was very popular 150 years ago. Fairly early and of superb quality. Pkt \$2.00



### **EARLY JERSEY WAKEFIELD #CB103**

70 days. Introduced in the 1840's, with tasty, 2-lb, sweet and flavorful, conical heads. This very early variety was sold commercially by Peter Henderson in the late 1860's. Pkt \$2.50 *or 1 oz \$4.00*



### **GLORY OF ENKHUIZEN #CB104**

90 days. Introduced in 1899 by Sluis & Groot in Enkhuisen, Holland. Medium-large, hard round heads. An early, excellent-keeping variety that is a good producer and good for kraut. Pkt \$2.00



# CAULIFLOWER

OUR FAVORITE SPRING CROP!

(*B. oleracea*) Old World cabbage relatives that are grown for succulent flower heads or buds. All need rich soil, abundant moisture, and cool weather (but avoid prolonged exposure to temps below 50 degrees). Cauliflower is harvested when the heads reach full size, but before the tiny buds (called the curd) begin to develop and open. Cauliflower succeeds best where spring or autumn weather is uniformly cool. Some varieties are blanched (the large outer leaves drawn up and tied to shade the developing bud) to produce a milder flavored curd.



## DURGESH 41 #CA110

**NEW!** Here is a seriously vigorous cauliflower from India. Durgesh 41 is super reliable. The tough plants can withstand more heat than other varieties and will produce high quality heads that have excellent shipping and storage quality. This self blanching variety is highly recommended for home or market gardening for shipping quality, taste and reliability. Pkt (200 seeds) \$3.00



## PURPLE OF SICILY #CA103

Beautiful, brilliant purple heads weigh 2-3 lbs and are of a fine, sweet flavor. The heads cook to bright green. Insect-resistant variety that is easier to grow than many white varieties; rich in minerals. A colorful heirloom. Select Italian seed. Our favorite purple cauliflower every year! Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50



## ROBER CAULIFLOWER #CA111 Easy to grow, massive heads! **New!**

This is by far the most productive and adaptable cauliflower we have ever grown. Rober will produce large, 12" heads with tight curds, despite fluctuations in temperature that would ruin most other varieties. We harvested perfect heads in the punishing Missouri early summer. This is a very reliable and tasty variety from Poland. Pkt (200 seeds) \$3.00



## GREEN MACERATA #CA105

A delicious Italian variety with 2-lb, bright apple-green heads that are superb cooked or raw in salads. Very attractive, vigorous plants, fairly early. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50



## SNOWBALL SELF-BLANCHING #CA101

An old, white type with ivory heads. A standard American favorite for over 100 years. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50



## PUSA MEGHNA #CA107 **New!**

45 to 75 days. An incredible innovation in Indian cauliflower! Dr. Pritam Kalia of India has naturally selected this super early and delicious cauliflower to form marketable heads in as short as 45 days! This is big news for anyone who has struggled with sometimes finicky cauliflower, or for those seeking multiple harvests in one season. Gorgeous tight, white curds appear so quickly, with good heat tolerance. We direct seeded a crop in our garden May 21 and it produced heads in 45 days! Pkt (200 seeds) \$3.00

# CELERY & CELERIAC

*(Apium graveolens)* 200 seeds per packet. Moisture-loving Old World crop grown since antiquity. They are best started indoors 8-12 weeks before the last frost of spring. The tiny seeds must be surface-sown and never allowed to dry out. The young plants are set out at about the time of last frost, preferring soil that is moist and very rich in organic matter. Requiring to be kept moist all season long, they are otherwise easy to grow and surprisingly reliable in most climates.



## CELERIAC- GIANT PRAGUE #CE103

110 days. Root Celery, this variety is grown for its large, white roots that are superb fried, or in soup. Taste and texture are much like regular celery. Introduced in 1871, popular in parts of Europe. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.00



## TENDERCRISP #CE101

A very large type of celery, excellent flavor. One of our most popular varieties! Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50



## UTAH TALL #CE107

110 days. Thick, crisp, medium-dark green stalks reach a foot or more when well grown, high quality. Introduced in 1953. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50

# CARROTS

A RAINBOW OF NUTRITIOUS ROOTS!

*(Daucus carota)* 800 seeds per packet. Carrots are originally from central Asia and they come in so many colors besides orange—purple and red types are actually the original ones! The tiny seed must be sown very shallow. To avoid drying out, especially when sown in hot weather, shade the seed bed or row with boards, paper, or something to exclude the hot sun and hold in moisture. Long-rooted types need a deep, mellow soil; in heavier soils, grow half-long or round types.



## AMARILLO #CR114

75 days. Lovely, lemon-yellow roots have sweet, bright yellow flesh. Good for a summer to fall crop, large 8" roots and strong tops. Yellow carrots always taste the best to me; they are so crunchy and full of juice. Pkt (300 seeds) \$3.00 or **1/4 oz \$6.00**



## ATOMIC RED #CR109

75 days. Brilliant red carrots are so healthful and unique-looking, sure to add color to your garden. The 8" roots are high in lycopene, which has been shown in studies to help prevent several types of cancer. Crisp roots are at their best when cooked, and this helps to make the lycopene more usable. Very flavorful. Pkt (300 seeds) \$3.00 or **1/4 oz \$6.00**



## OXHEART #CR126

90 days. Massive heart-shaped roots to one pound each. Can be a shy seed producer and seed is sometimes scarce, so we are excited to be able to offer this old French variety! Despite their large size, the brilliant orange roots are crisp, sweet and mild. Their blunt shape makes them superior for heavy or shallow soils. Known as "Guerande" in France, it was first introduced in the US in the late 19th century. Excellent storage type. Pkt (300 seeds) \$3.00



## DARA FLOWERING CARROT #FL134

Queen Anne's Lace is the familiar wild form of carrot, and the white-flowered version has been appreciated for years as a delicate filler in beds and flower arrangements. But 'Dara' is a spectacular, vividly-colored variety! Flowers open chaste white, change to soft pink and finally deep, rich rose-red; the lacy flower heads reach to 4 ft tall. Large amount of flowers over a long season. Pkt (20 seeds) \$3.00

**"All my life I have tried to pluck a thistle and plant a flower wherever the flower would grow in thought and mind." -Abraham Lincoln**



**CHANTENAY RED CORE #CR111**

75 days. One of the sweetest, this variety was introduced in 1929 and is a large stump-rooted carrot with a deep red-orange center, great for juicing or fresh eating. A good market variety that is smooth and refined in shape. Pkt \$2.00



**KURODA LONG 8" #CR107**

75 days. Popular variety for Oriental markets; deep orange, stubby roots are mild and sweet. Excellent for juicing. Grows well in many climate conditions; good for home or market. Pkt \$2.00 or 1 oz \$5.00



**DANVERS 126 HALF LONG #CR102**

70 days. The original Danvers Half Long dates back to the 1870s. This strain "126" was improved in the 1940s. The old standard American carrot, adaptable and dependable. Thick 7" roots have good flavor. Productive. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$3.75



**ST. VALERY #CR101**

70 days. The Vilmorins of France mentioned this variety in 1885 and said it had been grown a "long time" then. A large handsome variety with bright red-orange roots; smooth, 10"-12" long and 2"-3" in diameter. Sweet & tender. Rare. Our favorite! Pkt \$2.25 or 1 oz \$5.00

**GNIFF CARROT #CR133 NEW!**

A very rare landrace from the Tessin region of Switzerland. These amethyst colored carrots were re-discovered in the 1950s in the picturesque Alps village of Bre being grown by local women who sold them at farmers markets. "Gniff" is translated to purple in the local dialect. Being a landrace, there is a range of expression of colors in this carrot, always a purple exterior with a various amount of violet inside. This is a slow-growing storage carrot that is traditionally pickled; locals will steam, slice and preserve in olive oil, parsley and garlic. A similar type was last described by Vilmorin in the year 1856 as "sweet, purple carrot with a pale yellow heart". Pkt (200 seeds) \$4.00



**KYOTO RED CARROT #CR132 NEW!**

This is a Japanese kintoki type (sweet red) carrot. These silky red carrots are grown near Kyoto, Japan, where they are traditionally eaten on the Japanese New Year, often carved into the shape of a plum blossom to represent fertility in the coming year. These carrots have an exceptional texture and sweet flavor. A perfect variety for late summer, fall or winter gardening, the bright red color becomes much darker when grown in the winter. Long tapered roots grow to 10" to 12" inches long. Pkt (200 seeds) \$3.50



**PURPLE DRAGON #CR129**

70 days Gorgeous reddish-purple exterior is smooth and very attractive—unusually refined appearance. The purple outside makes a nice contrast with the brilliant orange interior, especially when served as slices on relish trays, platters and more. Roots typically reach 7-8" in length; half-long root habit means you can get well-formed roots even in somewhat tight or heavy soil. Flavor is spicy-sweet and wonderfully complex—wonderful for snacking, and kids really seem to love them! The anthocyanin-rich purple coloration is a valuable bonus, and the roots contain lots of lycopene as well. Bred by Dr. John Navazio. Pkt (300 seeds) \$3.00



**MUSCADE #CR118**

A delicious North African carrot that produces blocky, 7" orange roots that have exceptional flavor and a crisp, crunchy texture. They hold up well at market and are late bolting. Rare and almost impossible to find! Pkt \$2.50



**COSMIC PURPLE #CR112**

This one is causing excitement in home gardens and at farmers' markets. Carrots have bright purple skin and flesh that comes in shades of yellow and orange. Spicy and sweet-tasting roots are great for marketing. Pkt (300 seeds) \$3.00 or 1/4 oz \$6.00 or 1 oz. \$13.00



**LITTLE FINGER #CR103**

55 days. A superb baby-type carrot with deep orange color; developed in France for canning and pickling. Sweet 3" carrots are great for snacks. Pkt \$2.00



**LOBBERICHER YELLOW #CR124**

80 days. Brilliant yellow roots size up plump and large. An old fodder type from Europe, where there are many traditional fodder crops other than corn! Or harvest it small (under 10" in length) for the table; its mild sweet flavor and impressive crunch please trendy chefs and discriminating home cooks alike. Makes a fine storage carrot too, and its clear yellow is so cheery on a plate during the depths of winter. Pkt (300 seeds) \$3.00



**LUNAR WHITE #CR113**

75 days. Here is a vigorous producer with creamy white roots that are very mild, delicious, and have a fine flavor; very small core. White carrots were grown in the Middle Ages, but now they have become very rare. We are glad to offer this productive variety. Pkt (300 seeds) \$3.00

**NANTES SCARLET #CR122**

65-75 days. Half-long type reaching 6-7 inches in length, about 1 1/2 inches in diameter. Sweet, brilliant orange, blunt, cylindrical roots are very delicate and fine-grained, containing almost no core. High moisture content makes this a natural for juicing; fine for bunching or storage. Originally from France but grown in this country for many decades. A good sort to try on heavier soils. Pkt \$2.50



**PARISIENNE #CR115**

Small, round carrots that are so popular in France. Tender, orange globes are superb lightly steamed. Easy to grow even in heavy soils. This little carrot is great for home and market gardens, as this variety is fairly uniform. Pkt \$2.50



**PUSA RUDHIRA RED CARROT #CR127**

Pritam Kalia, a world renowned vegetable breeder, created this amazing red variety. His work centers on creating nutritious and hardy vegetables for India's poor subsistence farmers. This particular variety is very high in beta-carotene and lycopene. This carrot is sure to become a favorite heirloom around the world as it is simply beautiful and delicious! Great for juicing! Pkt (200 seeds) \$4.50

# CORN

OUR NATIVE FOOD! PLEASE BOYCOTT GMO CORN!

(*Zea mays*) The quintessential Native American crop, corn was a staple of indigenous peoples from South America to the Great Lakes. It's believed to have been domesticated in Mexico and may be one of the world's oldest agricultural crops. It's best if seeded directly into the garden, in good, rich, well-drained soil, right about the time of the last spring frost. Plant in blocks rather than long narrow rows to improve pollination. Corn can be very drought tolerant, but ears fill best when there is good soil moisture when tassels and silks first emerge. Harvest sweet corn when the kernels are full of milky-colored juice; allow other types to remain on the stalks until fully dry. 75-125 seeds per packet.

**GMO TESTED: Genetically Modified Organisms were NOT found in any of the corn varieties listed in our catalog.**



## **DORINNY SWEET #CN153**

75 days. Early season sweet corn that yields well in cool climates. Dorinny was originally a Canadian cross between Golden Bantam and Pickaninny. Received a Market Gardeners' Award of Merit in 1936. Reliable even where soils are cool. Yellow kernels on 6-7" cobs offer old-fashioned sweet corn flavor. Vigorous plants reach 4-5 feet in height, usually yield two ears per plant. Grown in northern Maine by our friend, activist-farmer Jim Gerritsen. Pkt \$3.50



## **DAKOTA IVORY #CN161**

Ivory-colored flour corn. Kernels are plump and surprisingly sweet. Harvested at the right time, this early variety even makes a fair sweet corn, but it really shines in corn bread, polenta, and more. Bred in North Dakota from Native American stock, our seed is grown in Aroostook County in the far north of Maine, so you know it is a great choice for short season climates. 4-6' plants make 1-2 ears each. Exceptional earliness combined with superior seedling vigor in cold soils. Pkt \$3.50



## **CHEROKEE WHITE EAGLE #CN144**

Beautiful white and blue kernels on 8"-10" ears make superb corn meal or can be used as roasting ears if picked young. This great Cherokee variety gives good yields on sturdy stalks. Some kernels have eagle-like markings on them, hence the name. Very rare and hard to find. Pkt \$4.00

## **CHAPALOTE #CN168 *NEW!***

This incredible flint/popcorn may be the oldest corn variety grown in N. America! Carbon dating says this variety could be 4000 years old! Long, slim ears are filled with luminous amber to dark brown kernels. Great drought and heat tolerance. Chapalote is adapted to southerly latitudes, and its performance farther north is unknown. Chapalote can be popped or used in pinole, polenta, and many other corn dishes; the meal being delightfully sweet. In the 1950s it was rediscovered in remote, northwestern Mexico. Since that time its superior qualities have captured the imagination and affection of archaeologists, gardeners and chefs alike! Pkt (50 seeds) \$4.00



## **COUNTRY GENTLEMAN**

**#CN105** 90 days. Introduced in 1890 by S.D. Woodruff & Sons. Sweet, delicious and milky with tender white kernels on 8" ears. The ears have no rows, as this is a shoepeg type, and kernels are packed in a zigzag pattern. One of the best heirloom sweet corns. Pkt \$3.00



## **GOLDEN BANTAM 12-ROW**

**#CN143** Released in 1922 by the Clark Seed Company of Milford, Connecticut. Although developed from the original Golden Bantam, this is definitely an improved type—larger ears mean higher yields, and the golden yellow corn stays tender longer. Equally suitable for freezing and fresh eating, this variety was for decades the standard for home and market gardeners. Pkt \$3.00

**TO THE EARLY SETTLERS OF NORTH AMERICA, CORN WAS SO VALUABLE THAT IT WAS USED AS MONEY.**



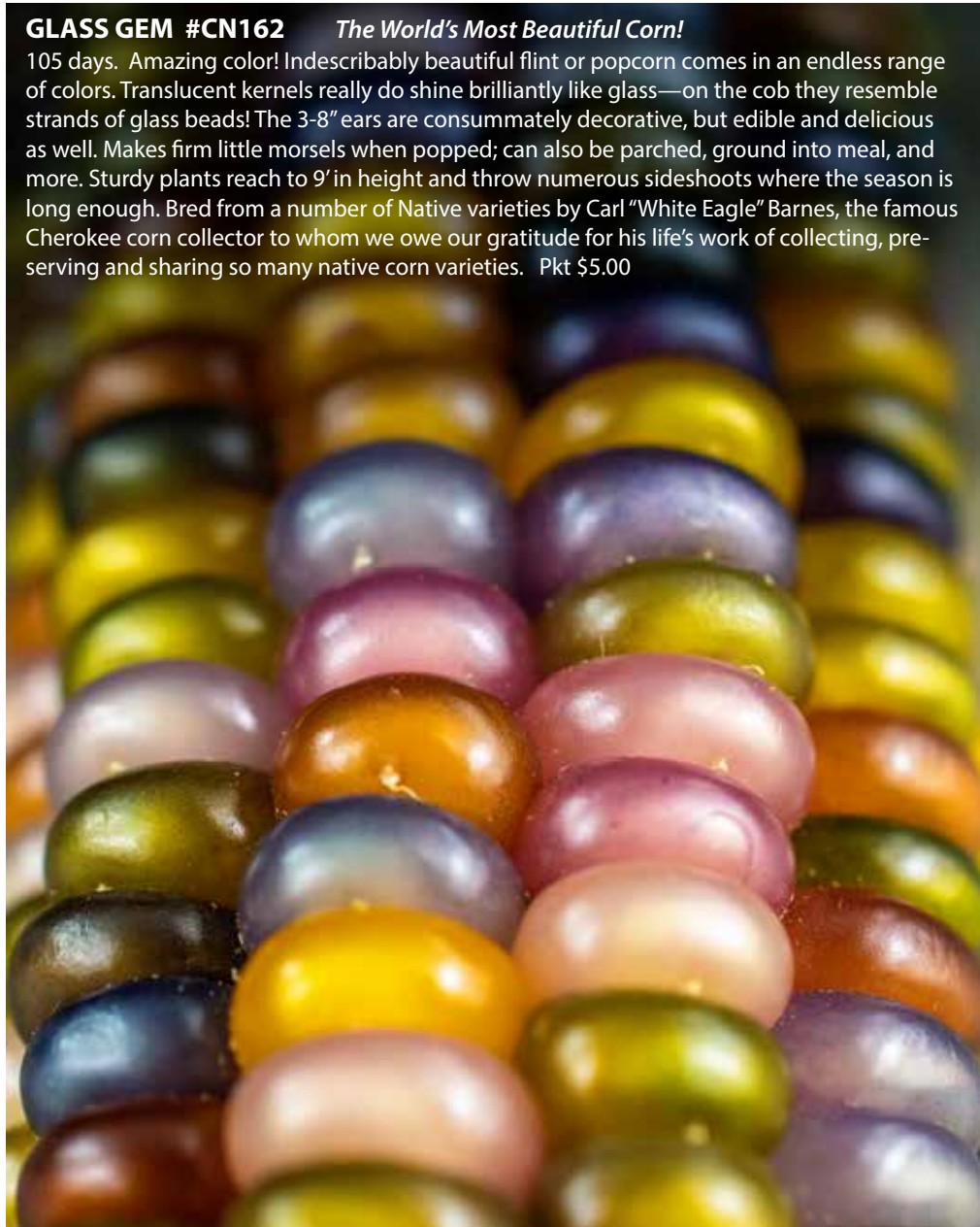
**DAKOTA BLACK POPCORN #CN136**

Dark reddish-black ears are quite attractive for fall decorations or popping into tasty popcorn! This variety is easy to grow and does well in almost all growing climates. Fun for children's gardens. Pkt \$3.50



**WADE'S GIANT INDIAN #CN141**

This is the best Indian flint corn we have found. Huge ears are about 12" long, very thick and heavy! This beauty comes in a whole range of lovely hues from yellow, blue, red, orange, white, purple and more. This one is perfect for stunning autumn displays and for selling at market. Also great for producing lots of corn for meal or feed. We were really excited to find this beautiful corn that was carefully selected for giant size and superior quality by Wade Nursery of Macomb, Michigan. Pkt \$3.50



**GLASS GEM #CN162** *The World's Most Beautiful Corn!*

105 days. Amazing color! Indescribably beautiful flint or popcorn comes in an endless range of colors. Translucent kernels really do shine brilliantly like glass—on the cob they resemble strands of glass beads! The 3-8" ears are consummately decorative, but edible and delicious as well. Makes firm little morsels when popped; can also be parched, ground into meal, and more. Sturdy plants reach to 9' in height and throw numerous sideshoots where the season is long enough. Bred from a number of Native varieties by Carl "White Eagle" Barnes, the famous Cherokee corn collector to whom we owe our gratitude for his life's work of collecting, preserving and sharing so many native corn varieties. Pkt \$5.00



**MINI BLUE POPCORN #CN164** **NEW!**

Cute, shiny blue ears are decorative and delicious! Very uniform indigo or colonial blue, quite unlike the deep purple of some varieties. The ears are a petite 2 to 4 inches long, but the 6- to 7-foot plants often yield three and even four ears per stalk. Pkt \$3.75



**MINI PINK POPCORN #CN165** **NEW!**

Stunning ears of mauve to rose pink, pearly kernels. Ears run 3-5" in length. 6- to 7-foot plants often yield 2-3 ears each. When popped, the kernels have a rather nutty flavor. Very decorative in centerpieces, equally enjoyable accompanying your favorite movie. Pkt \$3.75



**OAXACAN GREEN #CN147**

85-100 days. The stunningly beautiful ears come in a range of greens, from yellow-green through emerald, with every imaginable shade in between. The deeply dented kernels have been used for centuries by the Zapotec people to make a regional favorite, green-flour tamales. Also makes excellent cornbread! The 6- to 10-inch ears are superb in arrangements and for fall decoration. Plants reach 7 feet, are very drought-tolerant, and perform well even at higher latitudes. Amazing and cool! Pkt \$3.50



**INDIAN BERRIES POPCORN #CN151**

95 days. Dramatic multi-colored ears are decorative and delicious! 4 to 5-foot plants yield up to 4 ears each. The ears are up to 4 inches long, and spangled with a wide color-range of shiny kernels in red, blue, purple, yellow, and white. Ears are produced low on the plants, usually only a couple of feet off the ground. Pkt (50 seeds) \$4.00



**STOWELL'S EVERGREEN**

**#CN130** This is among the oldest sweet corn that is still in production, predating 1949. It is still a favorite of many, producing tasty white kernels. The plants used to be pulled up when completely ripe, and hung upside-down in a cool pantry; the ears would last well into the winter, in a semi-fresh state. In 1873, the seeds sold for 25 cents per pint. Pkt \$3.00



**PARAGUAYAN CHIPA #CN158**

Chipa corn is a stunningly brilliant yellow Paraguayan flour corn. Robust ears, often exceeding 11 inches in length, bear even rows of very uniform kernels. The plump kernels are composed of a soft starch, ideal for grinding into corn meal, which makes the very distinctive chipa, a Paraguayan national dish. This exciting South American variety has been grown in Kentucky for several years, so it is well adapted to the long days of a temperate-zone summer. Large stalks bear one, occasionally two, ears per plant. Our seed comes by way of the Monroe Gingerich family of Adolphus, Kentucky, who first became acquainted with the variety when they lived in Paraguay. Couple Paraguayan Chipa corn with Baker Creek's Po'suwaeghe Blue corn for an amazing color combination that is sure to impress your gardening friends. (note: these varieties may cross if not isolated). Pkt \$3.50



**PO'SUWAEGEH BLUE #CN157**

110 days. This Native American heirloom corn from Pueblo Pojoaque, pronounced P ö 'hwä k a, in northern New Mexico, is traditionally grown to make blue corn atole. Po'suwaeghe is the Tewa name for "Place where there is abundant water." There is actually such a place, about 20 miles north of Santa Fe, in a valley running into the Rio Grande, where an ancient pueblo, which had almost disappeared, found its place of rebirth. Growing Po'suwaeghe Blue corn played a pivotal role in the revival of this community. The Pueblo at Pojoaque and Baker Creek Seeds are proud to share this treasure with gardeners and farmers. Deep blue kernels on a 10" - 12" ear. Strong and tall stalks. If you like the idea of growing Baker Creek's Oaxacan Green dent corn, then including Po'suwaeghe Blue corn in your order is a must! Pkt \$3.50



**STRAWBERRY POPCORN**

**#CN119** The popular, cute, little ears look just like big strawberries, just 2"-3" long. The 4' plants produce 2-4 ears each; great for fall decorations or making delicious popcorn. Pkt \$3.00

## ABOUT PAPA'S CORN

We're so excited to introduce this series of short season flour corn for northern climates. Bred by Ed Schultz outside of Bozeman, Montana, The Papa's Series corns all feature earliness and tolerance to cool conditions. Ed first began breeding his corns about 1985. He started with all the really short-season flour types he could lay his hands on: Mandan Red, Painted Mountain, Fiesta and others. Allowing these types to cross freely, he simply selected the earliest and best each year, for planting the next year. Then came the lengthy process of selecting single-colored ears out of the mix. Some 30 years later, the result: short plants (only to about 4' tall) that yield very early. Surprisingly long ears—typically 8" long, running occasionally to 12". These slim, 8-row ears grow from a narrow cob, and are very graceful and beautiful. All the Papa's Series varieties feature a brilliantly colored exterior, enclosing a white interior comprised of a soft, white flour-type starch—excellent!



### **PAPA'S RED #CN169 NEW!**

Uniformly red 8- to 12-inch ears, with the red in varying shades, including deep oxblood and occasional bright red ears—very unique and beautiful! Compact plants about 4 feet tall, taking heat, cool weather and drought in stride. Excellent, very early new flour type. Pkt \$4.00



### **PAPA'S WHITE**

#### **#CN171 NEW!**

Sturdy 4-foot plants seldom lodge. Ivory-white flour-type kernels on 8- to 12-inch ears are superb for grinding. Yield is early, and the Montana-bred plants tolerate erratic weather conditions. Pkt \$4.00



### **PAPA'S BLUE**

#### **#CN170 NEW!**

All-blue ears in a wide range of blue shades, from indigo to nearly purple. Slender 8- to 12-inch ears come on quickly, usually a single ear per four-foot-tall plant. Bred to tolerate Montana's cool summers and scanty rainfall. A decorative and delicious new flour corn that is sure to please in most areas of the country. Pkt \$4.00

# COWPEAS

(*Vigna unguiculata*) 30-75 seeds per pkt. Very easy to grow, colorful, and tasty.



### **CALIFORNIA BLACKEYE PEA #CW108**

70 days. An old standard variety; vigorous, high-yielding vines. Thomas Jefferson grew Blackeye Peas in the 1770's. Originating in Africa, cowpeas are easy to grow and are very popular in the South. A very ancient crop. Pkt \$2.00



### **HOLSTEIN #CW101**

Very unique, this pea is mottled half black and half white, just like a Holstein cow. The small bush plants yield well and are easy to grow. Very rare. Pkt \$2.50



### **RICE #CW112**

Tiny white seeds are just larger than rice and cook in 40 minutes. Very tasty. Bush plants yield well. A pre-1860 Southern cowpea. Pkt \$2.50



### **PURPLE HULL PINKEYE #CW109**

A preferred variety of many Southerners; delicious flavor. Hulls are purple; an old favorite. Pkt \$2.50



### **WHITE WHIPPOORWILL #CW155**

We at last have the hard-to-find, white-seeded Whippoorwill. Plants produce loads of these creamy-white peas that are great when picked young and stir-fried; or harvested when dry for soup. An old Southern heirloom. Pkt. \$2.50



# CUCUMBER

EASY TO GROW - QUICK TO HARVEST

(*Cucumis sativus*) 25-35 seeds per packet. Cucumbers originated in India or western Asia, and have been known to gardeners for at least 3,000 years. Their diverse forms and flavors are now appreciated and utilized in local cuisines around the world. Warm growers, they are best sown in place after the last frost of spring. Very rich soil, well-drained yet moist, suits them best. Full sun exposure is usually preferred, except that in hot-summer areas, the plants might benefit from some mid-afternoon shade. Vines vary in length. To save space, grow them on a trellis.

## ARMENIAN YARD-LONG #CU169

(*Cucumis melo*) Light-green, mild-tasting, deeply ribbed fruits. The elongated fruits yield uniform, easily digestible, fluted slices. They are apt to twist and coil growing on the ground, but develop nice and straight when hanging from a trellis. Fruits reach over 24 inches long, best harvested at about 15 inches. The classic Armenian "Cucumber" which is actually a melon genetically. Pkt \$2.50



## BEIT ALPHA #CU150

A delicious, very sweet cucumber that is usually picked small and does not need peeling as the skin is very tender. This variety is very popular in the Mediterranean, having been developed in Israel at a kibbutz farm. Now becoming popular with Americans because of the fruits' fine flavor and high yields. They are also burpless and have great shelf life. Pkt \$2.50



## BOSTON PICKLING #CU105

An old heirloom dating back to 1880. Vigorous vines give large yields of smooth green fruit. It is excellent for pickles; very crisp and good quality. A very popular variety at the turn of the 20th century. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$7.00



## CHICAGO PICKLING CUCUMBER #CU181 **NEW!** 55 days.

Originally bred for the markets of the Chicago area. Released in 1888, this has been the go to pickling cuke for generations of home gardeners and canners, and we are so pleased to be able to offer it! The thin skins take up pickling solutions readily. Black-spined fruits can be allowed to reach 7" without sacrificing quality, but are often harvested much smaller. Amazingly prolific, and disease-resistant, too. Pkt \$2.50



## DRAGON'S EGG #CU147

Beautiful cream-colored fruit are about the size and shape of a large egg! Mild, bitter-free and sweet-tasting, this little cucumber set massive yields in our gardens. So fun to grow, and very unique-looking; great for children and all who like delicious cucumbers. We were sent this new favorite by Reinhard Kraft, a German seed collector, but this heirloom originated in Croatia. Pkt (12 seeds) \$2.75



## DELIKATESSE #CU109

60 days. 10" long, unique fruits are pale green with small warts. Superb taste, excellent for slicing or pickling; bears abundantly. A rare variety from Germany. Pkt \$2.50



## DAR #CU182

60 days. Here's a gorgeous new all-purpose slicing/pickling type. The plants are of bush habit, usually running no more than 18" or so, making them superior for small gardens, containers, or anywhere space is tight. Fruits hold well on the plants, avoiding the need for constant picking. Plants are also tolerant to Downy Mildew, which is so often a problem in humid-summer climates. The bumpy, brightly-striped exterior is particularly attractive as well. A superb new Polish variety! Pkt \$2.50



**CRYSTAL APPLE #CU149**

Small 3" oval fruit are a bright, creamy white, about the size of a small apple; sweet, mild and very tender. This variety has become almost extinct in America after being introduced here from Australia around the year 1930 from Arthur Yates and Co. But this type of cucumber is likely to have originated in China. The small fruits are so tender you can eat them skin and all. Pkt \$2.75



**EARLY FORTUNE #CU176**

55 days. (Also called Special Dark Green) A super dependable garden cucumber, sweet and almost never bitter. Slicing-type fruits grow 7 to 8 inches long, 2 inches in diameter. Originally selected out of Davis Perfect (now believed extinct) by George Starr in Royal Oak Michigan in 1906. Upon its release it was described as "the earliest and best white spine cucumber ever offered." Pkt \$2.75



**MARKETMORE 76 #CU101**

70 days. Dark green, 8"-9" fruit; great slicer! Good yields! Excellent flavor. A real standard for superb eating cukes. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$6.00



**GELE TROS CUCUMBER #CU159**

This is a large yellow cucumber that was popular in Holland for making yellow, sliced pickles. The Dutch call this cucumber the "ancient race". The ripe fruit are quite colorful in their sunny yellow color. A fine old strain that is very rare now even in Europe. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.75



**TELEGRAPH IMPROVED #CU110**

60 days. Smooth, straight, dark-green fruit, 18" long. Flesh is very crisp, tender and mild; superb flavor. Very few seeds, vigorous high-yielding vines, great for greenhouse production; also good cultured outdoors. This is an excellent English heirloom variety, introduced around 1897. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.50



**HORACE BOYETTE BURPLESS #CU158**

**New!** 60 days. Fine, mild-flavored, burpless all-purpose cukes for pickles or slicing. Thin-skinned fruits contain very few seeds when harvested at 4-6 inches in length. Originated from a cross of Straight 8 made by Horace Boyette in the 1940s. Not recommended for trellising as the somewhat compact vines appeared brittle in our trials. Pkt \$2.75



**SIKKIM CUCUMBER**

**#CU124** The historic cucumber of Sikkim. Fat, large fruit can reach several pounds in size. The ripe fruit is a unique rusty red color and is good eaten cooked or raw. In Asia, cucumbers are often stir-fried and are quite tasty. This variety is grown in the Himalayas of Sikkim and Nepal. Sir Joseph Hooker first discovered it in the eastern Himalayas in 1848. Here is part of what he wrote about it: "So abundant were the fruits, that for days together I saw gnawed fruits lying by the natives' paths by the thousands, and every man, woman and child seemed engaged throughout the day in devouring them." Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.50



**JAPANESE LONG #CU111**

Long, slim fruit that are very crisp and mild. Easy to digest, firm flesh with few seeds; a great Japanese variety for home use or farmers' markets. One of the best cucumbers ever that puts out huge yields of perfect fruit. Pkt \$2.50



**HMONG RED #CU152**

The fruits are white to pale green, turning gold-orange as they ripen. A very productive and tasty variety that stays mild even when large. This heirloom was collected from a Hmong immigrant. Millions of the Hmong tribe live on the borders of Thailand, China, Burma, Laos and Vietnam, and are a very ancient people. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.50



**LEMON CUKE #CU103** 60 days.

The shape, size, and color of a lemon, but the flavor is sweet and mild! This heirloom was introduced in 1894 and is still a favorite today. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$8.00

**"If you want to lift yourself up, lift up someone else."** -Booker T. Washington



**MEXICAN SOUR GHERKIN #CU125**

(*Melothria scabra*) 75 days. Incredible, small cucumber-like fruit are shaped like baby watermelons. They are good added to salads or can be pickled. They have a cucumber-like taste with a touch of lemon. The ornamental vines have tiny leaves and flowers and are perfect for the cottage garden. Very unique and fun for kids. Huge yields. Pkt \$2.50



**MINIATURE WHITE #CU167**

50 days. White-skinned, black-spined little pickling cukes. Production is high and begins very early on almost-bush plants that seldom run over three feet making great container plants. Delicious for fresh use as well—this strain has none of the bitterness that has unfortunately come to be associated with the white-fruited types. Pkt \$2.25



**TENDERGREEN BURPLESS #CU173**

55 days. Burpless slicing type, free from bitterness, that has been popular for over 80 years! Fruits are medium-dark green, 7-12 inches in length, and quite plump and smooth compared to Japanese long slicing types. Excels as a slicer, because each fruit yields so many slices of uniform diameter, but the tender skin makes great pickles as well. Tolerates cool soil and excessive moisture better than many, as well as downy mildew and mosaic virus. An altogether superior sort! Pkt \$2.50



**MUNCHER #CU174**

60 days. Very tender, dual-purpose variety makes great pickles and is excellent for fresh eating right out of the garden! Nearly spineless fruits are 6 to 8 inches long, reaching a plump 3 inches wide. Produces abundantly on strong vigorous vines. Non-bitter, burpless variety, can be eaten at any stage of growth. For pickling, harvest the fruits at 4 to 6 inches long. Pkt \$2.50



**STRAIGHT EIGHT #CU168**

50 days. All-America winner for 1935! Smooth, straight, deep green 8-inch fruits with rounded blunt ends. Early, vigorous and prolific; tolerates mosaic virus. A superb variety that has stood the test of time. Pkt \$2.00



**SUYO LONG #CU132**

65 days. Long, ribbed, dark green fruit can grow to 18". They are very mild, sweet and burpless. One of my personal favorites for fresh eating. This productive heirloom comes from northern China and is very attractive. Pkt \$2.75

**"Peace cannot be kept by force; it can only be achieved by understanding."**

-ALBERT EINSTEIN

# EGGPLANT

ONE OF THE MOST VERSATILE FOOD CROPS!

(*Solanum melongena* and others) 25-35 seeds per packet. We offer the best selection of quality heirloom eggplants in the USA. This is Jere's favorite crop, as it is easy to grow, and the fruit is nutritious and incredibly delicious. Another of the great staple agricultural crops of India, eggplant varieties have long been appreciated in traditional communities in Africa, Asia, the Middle East and Mediterranean coast, and, more recently, the Americas. With their often large and showy purple or white blooms and velvety leaves, eggplants are ornamental enough to grow in the border or even in the front yard! Heat-loving plants, eggplants are best started indoors about 8 weeks before the last frost date of spring. Be sure to set out transplants only after carefully hardening them to outdoor conditions and only after warm weather has really arrived.



## ANTIGUA #EG189

80 days. Amazingly beautiful lavender-streaked fruits are 6-8 inches long, elongated teardrop shaped. Flesh is tender and mild, snow-white and bitter-free. Pkt \$3.00



## ASWAD #EG175

This incredibly delicious Iraqi variety comes from our friend Nael Aziz. Satiny, dark purple-black fruits get very large—to 3 pounds or more. Shaped like a squat teardrop, the flesh is sweet and tender, perfect for grilling or baking. The fruit is abundantly produced. Very heat tolerant and productive in our trials. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



## CAMBODIAN GREEN GIANT #EG177

Here is a large, round, flat variety from the kingdom of Cambodia. We collected this variety in 2004, when we were touring this once war-torn southeast Asian country. Attractive fruits are pale green with dark green stripes, and are lightly ribbed. This is a very unique color pattern for a large variety. We are proud to be among the first companies to offer varieties from Cambodia, a country with a delicious cuisine that is in danger of being lost. These are great eating, and have a deep, full bodied eggplant flavor. Pkt \$3.00



## ASTRAKOM #EG174

Compact plants reached barely two feet in our trials. Each plant yielded several 4-inch, teardrop-shaped fruits, of a rich, glossy purple-black. Grown from seed provided by our Belorussian friend Andrey Baranovsky. Pkt \$2.00



**CASPER #EG101**

75 days. Medium size, very attractive, smooth ivory-white fruit that has a very mild mushroom-like flavor. Prolific plant. Fruit ripens early. An excellent variety for specialty growers & gardeners. Pkt \$2.50



**BLACK BEAUTY #EG113**

90 days. Standard old type, large black fruit of excellent quality. Very tasty but is lower yielding and much later than many types and needs a long season. Pkt \$1.75 or 1/8 oz \$3.50



**EDIRNE PURPLE STRIPED #EG160**

Originally collected in Edirne (Adrianople), Turkey, in 1948, and stored by the USDA ever since, until we grew it out in 2008! Gorgeous 6-8 inch fruits are richly striped in purple and off-white. May be even superior to Listada de Gandia in appearance due to its deeper luster, and we actually preferred it in our trials! Vigorous plants, very productive. Pkt \$2.50



**DIAMOND #EG102**

70 days. Mild, dark purple, 6-9" x 2-3" slender fruit; superb flavor and firm flesh. Becoming popular with market growers and home gardeners. This variety from the Ukraine was collected by Seed Savers Exchange in 1993. Pkt \$2.25 or 1/8 oz \$6.00



**THAI PURPLE RIBBED #EG211 *NEW!***

An exciting eggplant that we recently collected in Thailand. This variety produces lovely, highly ribbed, plum-purple fruit that has a delicious, strong eggplant flavor. Very productive and unique! Pkt \$2.75

**THAI LONG GREEN (GREEN ELEPHANT TUSK) #EG119**

85 days. Very mild and sweet, the 10" to 12" long, very slender fruit are a beautiful light-lime green. One of the best-tasting eggplants; superb flavor and very tender. Good yields on 2' to 3' tall plants. This heirloom from Thailand is becoming popular with gourmet chefs. Pkt \$2.00





**JAPANESE WHITE EGG #EG110**

65 days. Full, rich flavor; lovely 2"-3" white fruits are perfect for stir-frying. The plants give heavy yields all season. Pkt \$2.00



**LITTLE FINGERS #EG169**

65 days. Small, purple-black fruits are produced in clusters on sturdy, compact plants. The blunt-ended fruits may be harvested when finger-sized, but may also be allowed to grow larger with no sacrifice of their mild, sweet taste and tender texture. Pkt \$2.25



**MELANZANE ROSSO DI ROTONDA #EG199** (*S. aethiopicum*)

80 days. Fruits are oblate, smooth and mature to a brilliant scarlet. Red eggplants are widely grown, but mostly in Africa and Asia. This one is the only red type traditionally grown in Italy, and it is renowned there! Rotonda is the town in southern Italy that is famous as the traditional source for this unusual type. It was probably introduced there in the late 19th century by veterans returning from colonial wars. Often exported as pickled eggplant, we first sampled this variety as a tasty relish, when we were traveling in Italy. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



**LISTADA DE GANDIA #EG137**

90 days. One of the most popular heirloom types, this one has 7" long fruits that are white with lovely bright purple stripes. They are so beautiful and have fabulous flavor with sweet, tender flesh. This excellent variety hails from Spain, a country that is renowned for fine food. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/8 oz \$6.00



**TURKISH ORANGE #EG134**

80 days. This beautiful heirloom comes from Turkey. The 3" round fruits are best cooked when they are green to light orange. This variety has very sweet and flavorful flesh. It imparts a strong, rich flavor to any dish. The small plants yield well. This variety is great for ethnic markets. Very ornamental-looking. Pkt \$2.50



**MALAYSIAN DARK RED #EG148** Tender and delicious, violet-colored fruit are long and slender. This productive and tasty variety comes from the Southeast Asian country of Malaysia. A hard-to-find but very good variety that is perfect for frying. Pkt \$2.50



**MITOYO #EG201**

Large fruits are oval to teardrop-shaped and nearly black. Flesh is very tender and sweet. It is even highly recommended for use without cooking! Fruits are also excellent baked or roasted, and are often used in pickling as well in their native Japan, where the variety was originally collected at a local market. Traditionally grown in the Mitoyo and Kanonji areas. One of the best tasting eggplants we have ever tried. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.50



**PANDORA STRIPED ROSE #EG129**

A great market variety, teardrop-shaped fruit are a lovely lilac-rose color with thin white stripes. Strong, thornless plants give heavy yields; tender and delicious. Eye catcher. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/8 oz \$6.00



**ROSITA #EG179**

Lovely 8"x4" neon, lavender-pink fruits have a mild, sweet, white flesh. The skin is tender and not bitter. Produces excellent yields. This incredible heirloom was developed in Puerto Rico in the 1940's by the Puerto Rico Agricultural Experiment Station, Rio Piedras. One of our favorites every season. Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00



**PROSPEROSA #EG183**

75 days. Massive fruits are nearly round to slightly teardrop shaped, and sometimes very slightly ribbed. Their rich dark purple exterior also glistens with a satiny greenish sheen—quite spectacular to see! The white flesh is as good as the fruit looks, being mild, tender, and slow to discolor when sliced; superb in parmigiana dishes. Yields all season long. Heirloom type grown for generations in Tuscany, in northwestern Italy. Pkt \$2.50



**ROSA BIANCA #EG105**

80 days. Colorful, light pink-lavender fruits with white shading. Rich, mild flesh is very popular with chefs and gardeners alike! No bitterness. A great variety for heirloom market growers. Grow the color that sells! Pkt \$2.50



**THAI LAVENDER FROG EGG #EG186** 80 days. Collected by the Gettles in central Thailand, where the natives refer to many colors of these small eggplant as "frog eggs." Tiny fruits are the size and form of a cherry tomato, lavender splashed with cream. Very robust flavor, and super high yielding! Pkt \$2.75



**TADIFI #EG180**

80 days. Gorgeous little market variety, originally collected in the market at Aleppo, Syria, and furnished by our Syrian friend, Ragad Khorani. Striped fruits are purple and cream to green, reaching about 5 inches in length by 2-3 inches wide. Ragad says: "The flesh is very firm and creamy. It is the best when it is cooked with butter or olive oil." We are very excited to offer this choice variety from a troubled land. Pkt \$2.50



**PING TUNG #EG109**

70 days. A wonderful eggplant from Ping Tung, Taiwan. Fruits are purple and up to 18" long and 2" in diameter. This variety is so sweet and tender, superbly delicious! One of the best Chinese eggplants on the market. Pkt \$2.50

# ENDIVE & ESCAROLE

*(Cichorium endivia)* A long appreciated European delicacy, these crops add a lightly bitter piquancy to salads. All are best grown in rich soil and cooler weather; in most of the country, this makes them best-suited to the fall garden. Grown in about the same way as lettuce.



**BATAVIAN FULL HEART #EE101**

AAS Winner 1934. Broad, thick, curled leaves; heart blanches white. A superb salad plant; tasty. Pkt (300 seeds) \$1.50 or 1 oz \$4.00



**DE LOUVIERS #EE104**

Leaves are very finely curled and deeply notched. Produces a good blanched and curled, yellow heart. This heirloom is high quality and tasty. In 1885 Vilmorin said, "Bulk for bulk, it yields a larger amount of useful produce." Pkt (300 seeds) \$1.75



**FRISÉE ENDIVE OR CURLY ENDIVE #EE106**

Finely cut leaves add beauty and body to salads. Blanching (by tying the heads with a broad rubber band) yields a milder-tasting green. Lends a refined slightly bitter pop to salads. Pkt (300 seeds) \$2.00

# FRUIT & BERRIES

QUICK, DELICIOUS FRUIT FROM SEED!

Garden berries comprise a wide range of fruiting plants. The common thread is that they are distinct from tree fruits (more or less), don't take much space, and are quick to yield. Most are grown as annuals and yield a delicious harvest in only a few months from planting!

For this reason, seeds of many of these varieties were prized by settlers travelling to new homes. The treasured seeds would be sown into the very first gardens, usually even before a house had been finished! The family would then have at least some fruit that first season

## Solanum Berries

Here's a type of fruit that has long been useful, especially on new homesteads. The small black berries are a wonderful substitute for blueberries in muffins, pancakes, etc., and make superb sauces and pies as well. Though collectively known as garden huckleberries, they aren't true huckleberries (which are similar to blueberries). Instead, they are all relatives of the deadly nightshade, and confusion between poisonous and edible varieties has induced gardeners to be very reluctant to try eating them. However, the ones we offer are edible and are considered safe so long as the fruits have ripened to the point where all traces of green are absent. The plants are attractive, looking similar to pepper plants, and never need staking. They are grown like tomatoes or peppers (nightshade relatives--all!) and yield delicious berries very quickly from seed.



### GARDEN HUCKLEBERRY #GR103

(*Solanum melanocerasum*) 75 days. Large, purple berries that are cooked and sweetened (do not eat raw); great in pies. Huge yields of fruit all summer long. Plant 14" apart. Strong tall plants do not have to be staked. Grow plants like peppers. Great for anyone wanting quick, easy berries and a huge yield. Originated in Africa. Pkt (35 seeds) \$2.00



### SCHWARTZENBEEREN "BLACKBERRIES" GR133

Also called "blauberen." Attractive 2- to 3-foot plants yield clusters of pea sized black berries. Brought to Kansas by Volga German immigrants about 1875, and still appreciated by their descendants, who grow and use them in such traditional recipes as Kuchen, Maultaschen, Klump and Knebel. (Eat only fully ripe, dark blue-black berries showing no green.) Pkt (30 seeds) \$2.50

(and the second, and the third—it could take as long as five years before fruit trees would reach maturity!)

The garden berries can be used fresh or made into sauces, pies or preserves. A typical old-time recipe for preserves couldn't be simpler, calling as it does for 2 pounds of ground cherries, a quart of sugar dissolved in a tiny bit of water, and the juice and rind of a lemon, all simmered together until the proper consistency is reached. Other garden berries could just as well be used.



### OTRICOLI ORANGE BERRY #GR131

(*Solanum nigrum*) 70 days. Here's a most unusual nightshade plant, collected originally by the Gettles in Umbria, Italy, in the ancient Roman site of Ocriculum. It was found growing along the Tiber River, growing with the common black nightshade, (*S. nigrum*). Plants reach 2-3 feet tall, having typical nightshade leaves and white flowers. The small berries have a lot of visual interest being a bright orange—not at all the dark purple that you might expect. At maturity the plants are positively covered in clusters of brilliant orange! This species has been used as food for millenia, and we eat them here. Since this is a wild variety, we suggest eating them with caution until you are positive you do not have sensitivities to them. Pkt (30 seeds) \$2.50



### WONDERBERRY #GR105

(*Solanum burbankii*) 75 days. Developed by Luther Burbank; tasty, small, blue-purple fruit; good fresh or cooked. Small plants produce good yields in about 75 days. An historic heirloom that is easy to grow. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.50



### CHICHIQUELITE HUCKLEBERRY GR102

Sweet purple berries are great fresh or cooked. They are much like Wonderberry but are larger in size and give heavier yields. Very easy cultivation. Pkt (30 Seeds) \$2.75



# South American Solanum Fruit

These varieties all hail from South America, where they enjoy a long growing season or even a completely frost-free environment, so they should be started early indoors, like tomatoes. (All are, in fact, closely related to eggplants and tomatoes!) Litchi Tomato is the quickest grown from seed and is at its best in hot summer conditions. The remainder prefer cooler summer conditions, although we have ripened pepino and naranjilla outdoors here in Missouri. The plants are also very striking and attractive and would be well worth growing for their ornamental appearance alone! All have been subjects for at least local markets, and are very useful and delicious.



## LITCHI TOMATO OR MORELLE DE BALBIS #GR112

(*S. sisymbriifolium*) This was a favorite with customers who saw and sampled it in front of our store last summer. Large plants grow to 5', and are covered with thorns; sweet red fruit and large white flowers. Lovely to look at, but be careful with the thorns! We enjoyed the fruit all summer right from the plant. They're about the size of a cherry and taste like a cherry crossed with a tomato. A very pretty and attractive plant that originated in South America, but has been naturalized in many countries. Start plants as you would a tomato. Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00



## TZIMBALO MELON PEAR #GR135

(*Solanum caripense*) Fruits are small, comparable in size to grapes, but shaped and marked similar to Pepino. The delicious little fruits ripen yellow or pale green, with similar longitudinal striping to Pepino, but they're much more juicy. Flavor is similar to Pepino but is often described as tangier and more complex. Tart, with subtle overtones of cucumber, melon and other fruit flavors. This South American native is suited for both greenhouse and garden cultivation in most of the country, and plants may be overwintered indoors in pots. This is a very rare plant that is started indoors like tomatoes and bears a heavy yield from early August until frost in our Missouri gardens. Harvest when fruit starts to soften. Very exciting, fun and SO delicious. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



## DWARF TAMARILLO #GR136

(*Cyphomandra abutiloides*) Miniature version of the regular Tamarillo, and a close relative. But this one ripens smaller fruits in clusters. When fully ripe, each fruit is a deep golden-orange. Very sweet, fruity, tropical flavor, with overtones of pineapple—dwarf tamarillos are superb for juicing, whipped into smoothies, or eaten out of hand. The foliage is very fragrant and at all stages the plants are very lovely and ornamental! This South American native produced well in our Missouri garden, but may need greenhouse cultivation in the North. In frost-free conditions, it eventually grows into a small tree. Super delicious and easy to grow! Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



## NARANJILLA #GR104

(*Solanum quitoense*) A very unique fruit from the Andes; delicious sweet-and-sour taste, orange flavor; 2" fruits are round and yellow-orange in color, perfect for making delicious juice. In 1760, Mr. J. de Santa Gertrudis Siera called it "nectar of the gods" and "the most delicious that I have tasted in the world." This plant takes at least 6 months to bear and is quite attractive as a potted plant. This year we started plants indoors about Feb. 1 and started to harvest fruit by mid-Sept. in the garden. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.50



## PEPINO MELON #GR117

(*Solanum muricatum*) One of our all time favorite fruits! This eggplant relative produces fruit that ranges in size from a chicken egg to a large goose egg, with a cream-colored rind that often has beautiful purple stripes. It has a sweet, mild flesh that is very melon-like. Use fresh or cooked. Beautiful, glossy ornamental plants require a fairly long season and are grown like eggplants. We had an abundant crop of these delectable fruits this past season here in Missouri. This fun plant can be grown indoors. Pepinos are popular in Peru, New Zealand and Australia and have just recently started to become common in US markets. This plant is native to the Andes Mountain region. Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00



## COCONA GR230 **NEW!**

An easy-to-grow fruit from the Amazon Jungle! A distant relative of eggplant, Cocona is commonly found growing in the Peruvian Amazon. Baker Creek Seed hunters Shannon McCabe and Deb Vlietstra found these at a jungle market in Iquitos, Peru. The fruits average 2 inches across with a vivid yellow to red color. The flesh is totally unique, sour and sweet with a distinctly creamy texture. Locals use them to add a tangy kick to sweet juice blends. Fruits are also diced into relishes and served with yucca empanadas. Locals tout the fruits as a healthy diabetic friendly food. Cocona performed very well at Baker Creek this season. Growers in zone 6 and warmer should get fruit to mature in one season. These make an excellent greenhouse plant in cooler climates. We start seeds indoors Feb. 1 and harvest fruit by Sept. in our Missouri gardens. Pkt (15 seeds) \$4.00

# Husk Berries

All the *Physalis* types yield fruits loosely enclosed in papery husks (including the Tomatillo, which we list separately), and nearly all come from the New World. All are started just like tomatoes and are super easy to grow; they do not need to be staked! Few people realize that the *Physalis* varieties store extremely well when kept in their protective husks, lasting for quite some time under refrigeration. They are used fresh or cooked and are very juicy and sweet.



## AUNT MOLLY'S GROUND CHERRY #GR132

65 days. Polish heirloom variety has an unusually fine flavor—very sweet with a nice hint of tartness. 1/2"-3/4" fruits are enclosed in a papery husk which drop to the ground when fully ripe. High pectin content makes this one an excellent choice for pies and preserves. Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.50



## GROUND CHERRY (STRAWBERRY HUSK TOMATO) #GR101

70 days. Huge yields of tart-sweet berries. This is the common type used by the Pilgrims; excellent for pies, jams, and preserves of all kinds; also delicious fresh. The fruit grows inside a paper-like husk (the same as Tomatillos). Grow it the same as you would tomatoes. Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.50



## CHINESE LANTERN GIGANTEA #GR125

(*Physalis franchetii*) This lovely 2' perennial produces pretty seed pods, which are bright red-orange and look like glowing Chinese lanterns. Great as a fresh cut flower or dried for craft projects. So popular at farmers' markets, as everyone just loves these. This variety is extra large, and the berries inside the husk are edible when fully ripe; cook similar to a regular ground cherry. Fun to grow. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.50

# Tropical Fruit

The fruits in the list below are tropical or sub-tropical types and are suitable outdoors only in the warm-est zones. Each variety has its unique quirks, and attention should be given to them before deciding to grow these fascinating types, which can challenge even experienced gardeners. But in frost-free, or nearly frost-free environments, these varieties can be successfully grown. They are fascinating, beautiful and just plain fun!



## ORANGE MASTER POMEGRANATE #GR113

Here is an extra-dwarf pomegranate that's perfect for small containers. Early-flowering plants are good for bonsai. Small, ornamental fruit. Will take light frosts, but should be grown indoors in cool climates. We have had a plant for years and are always amazed at the amount of flowers and fruit it produces. Easy to care for and requires less water than most plants. Pkt (10 seeds) \$5.00



## PINK BANANA #GR124

(*Musa velutina*) Lovely, small banana plants produce the most stunning, glowing, brilliant pink banana you will ever see. They are edible, but very seedy. Plants have large leaves that grow up to 24" long and add a wonderful tropical effect to your yard or patio. This species is relatively hardy, taking a few degrees of frost fairly well. Ripe fruit will start to split open when ready to eat. Showy and fun to grow! Can be hard to germinate, but is then easy to grow. Pkt (10 seeds) \$5.00

Dost thou love life? Then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.

—Benjamin Franklin

# Alpine Strawberries

Wild or alpine strawberries are native to Europe. The fruits are small compared to modern cultivated types, but the intense flavor tends to be very rich, and they are extremely sweet. Germination of the tiny seeds is actually easy in proper conditions.



## **BARON SOLEMACHER STRAWBERRY #GR222**

(*Fragaria vesca*) Antique German variety yields dainty clusters of berries that are very deep red, and incredibly fragrant! The berries are good-sized for an alpine type, and very sweet and juicy. Makes a superb edible ground cover when planted on 6" spacing, and wonderful in containers and baskets. Pkt (75 seeds) \$3.00



## **ALEXANDRIA STRAWBERRY #GR221**

(*Fragaria vesca*) Deep scarlet, egg-shaped fruits weigh two to three grams each. Everbearer that yields the first season from an early planting. A very productive alpine sort, sweet and flavorful. Pkt (75 seeds) \$3.00



## **ATTILA STRAWBERRY #GR220**

(*Fragaria vesca*) It's an alpine strawberry that makes runners! Ever-bearing type, yielding fruit on mother plant and runners in as little as 4 months from sowing. The ability to increase and rejuvenate a planting from runners is a great advantage, and the potential multiplication is very quick. Aromatic fruits are small but very sweet. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.75

**"Do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Let the day's own trouble be sufficient for the day." -Jesus Christ**



## **WHITE SOUL ALPINE STRAWBERRY #GR129**

(*Fragaria vesca*) An improved form of species Alpine Strawberry, White Soul reaches only to about 6 inches in height and yields small white to cream colored, aromatic fruits over a very long season. Similar to "Yellow Wonder". Pkt (75 seeds) \$3.00



## **REGINA STRAWBERRY #GR223**

(*Fragaria vesca*) (Also known as Reine des Vallees) Intensely red, sweet and very richly flavored. Fruits are wide-shouldered and much larger than most alpine types. Heavy cropper that yields all summer. This standard European variety is seldom seen in America, but deserves much wider recognition here. Sumptuous! Pkt (75 seeds) \$3.00



## **RED WONDER WILD STRAWBERRY #GR110**

This variety was selected to produce large, elongated, red fruits that are sweet and aromatic. Perfect for growing in flower gardens and containers as the plants, flowers and berries are ornamental. So delicious, the fruit won't last long! Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.50



## **YELLOW WONDER WILD STRAWBERRY #GR122**

This creamy yellow-fruited variety is a favorite of many in Europe. The small fruits are very tasty and unique looking. Many prefer the taste of this yellow-fruited type to the more common red strawberry. These are served in only the finest restaurants and are easy to grow from seed! Pkt (75 seeds) \$3.00

# Garden Strawberry

We are very pleased to offer *Fragaria x ananassa*. A delicious, larger fruited, everbearing type. The garden strawberry is the most commonly cultivated species worldwide. The species itself dates back to early 18th century Europe where *Fragaria virginiana* (wild strawberry), a flavorful Eastern North American species, was accidentally crossed with *Fragaria chiloensis* (Chilean Strawberry), a large fruited species from Chile.



## **TRESCA STRAWBERRY GR106 NEW!**

You will be pleasantly surprised to see these beauties ripening in their first year planted from seed. Tresca is a super early, garden strawberry variety from Poland that can be planted from seed and harvested in the first year! Fruits are picture perfect; shining bright red and bursting with flavor. This is not a particularly aggressive variety, so you do not need to worry about the plant sending runners to the far reaches of your garden; an excellent choice for containers. Said to be naturally disease resistant. We love these naturally sweet fruits for a filling in perogi, a traditional Polish treat! Pkt (25 seeds) \$3.00

# GOURDS

EASY TO GROW, PERFECT FOR MAKING CONTAINERS

(*Lagenaria siceraria* unless stated otherwise)  
20 seeds per pkt. Whether True Gourds, Angled Gourds or Edible Gourds, all of these squash-relatives are from the Old World originally, and all need similar conditions: a long season of hot weather and abundant moisture in a rich soil. May be direct-sown into warm soil or started indoors a few weeks early. The fruits will be straighter and more symmetrical if the long vines are trained up a trellis, but all may be allowed to sprawl along the ground; some may run 20 feet! The edible sorts are best harvested when young, tender, and mild-tasting.



## **BIG APPLE #GD115**

The 8" fruit look just like giant apples! Very popular as crafts and fall displays; can be painted red or made into birdhouses. Unique and fun to grow; a sure sell at fall markets. Pkt \$3.00



## **BUSHEL BASKET #GD111**

Huge, round gourds, up to 24" across, can be used for all kinds of art work and as storage containers. Night flowering plants attract huge moths; very long vines. Fruit has a thick, hard shell. A best seller! Pkt \$4.00 or **1 oz \$8.00**



## **SMALL SPOON #GD109**

(*C. pepo*) Brightly-colored, orange and green striped small spoon-shaped gourds are excellent for fall decorations. Huge yields. Pkt \$2.00

## **BIRDHOUSE GOURD #GD108**

The popular gourd for making bottles, birdhouses and many other useful items. Fun to grow. Pkt \$2.50



## **TENNESSEE DANCING OR SPINNING GOURDS #GD101**

(*C. pepo*) A tiny gourd just 2" long! They are bottle-shaped and green-and-white striped—turning tan when dry. This unique heirloom was sent to us by Mr. Junior G., of Primm Springs, Tennessee. They used to be popular there, and his Ma said that when she was going to school, kids would bring 'em to play with. Dancing gourds spin just like a top. Pkt \$2.50



## **ZUCCA GIANT GOURD #GD137**

You can't miss this gourd growing in your garden; with a weight of 30 to 100 pounds, these are the largest gourds in the world! This was a real show stopper at the 2015 National Heirloom Expo. Everyone wanted to know how we grew this monstrosity; unbelievably, there are no trade secrets to growing this whopper. It's extremely easy to grow; they thrive with little care. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.75

# EDIBLE GOURDS

(*L. siceraria*) Pick fruits when young and tender. Used like zucchini squash, but they are much more resistant to pests. Sweet, delicious flavor that is loved by many!

## THAI BOTTLE GOURD

**#ED101** Delicious and easy to grow, bottle-shaped gourds are great picked small, 4-6 inches and stir-fried, curried, boiled and in soup. They are used much like common zucchini. These are very easy to grow and have good disease resistance. The seeds can be used to make a vegetable curd, similar to soybean tofu. Pkt \$2.50



## SERPENTE DI SICILIA #ED102

The popular Italian edible gourd. Long, slender fruits are a brilliant, light green color; very tender and delicious with a rich flavor. The Italians eat these steamed, sauteed, or stuffed and baked. Perfect for specialty markets. Fun and so useful as zucchni! Pkt (20 seeds) \$2.50



## KIKINDA COMPETITION STRAIN #ED109 **NEW!**

Grow mammoth 7' long gourds and amaze your family. Super tasty fruits are tender up to 4' long. The tenderness and great flavor made them a favorite in our kitchen. Fun for craft projects and entering garden fairs. The Kikinda comes from a small village in East Serbia. This town is famed for their pumpkin festivals. We grew ours in a "gourd tunnel," and it is important to trellis if you want straight fruit. Pkt (8 seeds) \$4.50

**TASTY FRUIT IS USED LIKE ZUCCHINI**

More varieties of seed available at [www.rareseeds.com](http://www.rareseeds.com)

# LUFFA GOURD

(Angled, vining okra or sponge gourd) sometimes called climbing Okra in the South--is a climbing vine closely related to the cucumber. Luffa is native to India, where the immature green fruits are prepared in soups and stirfries. When allowed to completely dry out and mature, the skin can be peeled back and the seeds removed to make the popular luffa sponge.



## DISHCLOTH or LUFFA #AG103

(*Luffa aegyptiaca*) Burpee's 1888 catalogue said, "A natural dishcloth, and a most admirable one. Many ladies prefer this dishcloth. The fruits grow about 2'; and the vine is very ornamental, producing clusters of yellow blossoms, in pleasing contrast with the silvery-shaded, dark green foliage. In the North, this variety requires starting in a hotbed. The dried interiors of these gourds have already become an article of commerce; grown in Florida, they are sold by Philadelphia and NY druggists." Pkt \$2.50



## SWEET HONEY SPONGE GOURD #AG107

A delicious, smooth-fruited version of this great crop, sometimes called "vining okra" or luffa gourd. This variety produces huge fruits that are best picked under 10" long. Great fried, in soups or baked. Very easy to grow and tastes somewhat like a cross between squash and okra. It produces best in late summer when other crops are starting to slow down in production. Beautiful vines and flowers. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00

*"He that tilleth his land shall be satisfied with bread." —PROVERBS 12:11*

# GRAINS & COVER CROPS

Check our website for photos and more info!

## AUSTRIAN WINTER PEA #GS101

(*Pisum arvense*) Close relative of Garden or English peas, but this variety is grown as a cover crop. As hardy as Hairy Vetch and good as a nitrogen fixer, but more adapted to drier or alkaline soil. Matures a bit earlier in spring from a fall planting. Very attractive to deer. Can be sown in early spring in cooler climates. 1/4 lb \$4.50

## BLACK SEEDED SESAME #GS124

This black-seeded variety has tasty, nutty-flavored seeds that are popular in Thai cooking. It is also used to make healthy Black Sesame oil, which is popular in much of Asia. Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.25

## BUCKWHEAT #GS104

(*Fagopyrum esculentum*) Tender plant used as a warm-season cover crop. Plant anytime in warm weather; incorporate into soil when flowering begins (4-6 weeks). Not a nitrogen-fixer, but well known for adding organic matter to the soil. Can be planted and tilled under several times in a summer. Produces delicious and nutritious, edible seeds! 1/4 lb \$5.50

## CRIMSON CLOVER #GS136

Annual. Also known as Italian Clover. Nitrogen-fixing legume often grown for livestock feed or wildlife forage, yet pretty enough for the flower garden! Crimson flower heads are great bee forage. Planted thickly, also makes a superior cover or green manure crop, with its ability to smother out weeds and fix atmospheric nitrogen into the soil. This lovely, versatile plant should be much more widely grown! Pkt (1 oz) \$3.00

## FLAX #GS113

(*Linum usitatissimum*) True source of fibers that for thousands of years have been harvested and woven into linen. The seeds are a nutritious natural laxative and have been used to lower cholesterol. Stems up to 30" tall produce blue flowers from May to September. Annual. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.00

## HAIRY VETCH #GS105

(*Vicia villosa*) Plant spring or fall for nitrogen fixation and abundance of organic matter, even in acid soils. If mowed just as blooming commences, the plants die, leaving a natural mulch which can be left as-is for no-till planting or incorporated for soil improvement. Hardy. 1/4 lb \$4.50

## HULLESS OATS #GS129

(*Avena sativa*) In 1755, Samuel Johnson called oats a "grain which in England is generally given to horses, but which in Scotland supports the people." Today, oats are a practical, high protein grain for the small place. They are easy to grow, but not so easy to thresh out, due to the hull which adheres tightly to the grain itself. The advantage to a hullless variety is that the grain easily comes free. Plant in early spring for grain, or in early fall to produce a heavy mulch right where the plants grew. As winter frosts kill the plants, rain or snow knocks them down, producing a thick mulch all ready to be planted into in spring. Pkt (1 oz.) \$4.00

## MILLET, GERMAN FOXTAIL #GS107

(*Setaria italica*) Sow in spring or early summer. Use as a cover crop, hay or pasture. Chickens adore the small white seeds. Grows from 2-5 feet tall. Very drought-tolerant crop that is believed to have been used in China for nearly 5000 years, and grown in the US since 1849. 1/4 lb \$5.00

## QUINOA, RED FARO #GS139

This is a highly productive grain quinoa that can double as an ornamental plant in the flower garden. Pretty pink foliage and stems are topped with creamy white seed heads. This is a beautiful variety from southern Chile that will grow very well here in the U.S. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.75



## QUINOA, CHERRY VANILLA #GS133

(*Chenopodium quinoa*) 90-120 days. 3 to 5-foot tall plants are smothered in frothy masses of cream-to-pink flower heads. Dazzling enough for the most elegant border (or illicit, front-yard garden!) but eminently practical, like all quinoas, for greens or grain. Pkt (150 seeds) \$2.50

## RICE, CAROLINA GOLD #GS126

Considered the "grandfather" of long-grain rice culture in North America, according to the Carolina Gold Rice Foundation, who supplied our seed. This historic variety is believed to have originated from African and Indonesian sources, and appeared as a distinct variety in Charles Towne, Carolina Colony, by 1685. Carolina Gold really inaugurated commercial rice production in North America. Its long grains have superior texture, and a taste reminiscent of almonds and green tea. Although commercial production declined after the Civil War, this superior variety is known and loved to this day. We're excited to offer a genuine piece of early Americana! (Not for Northern gardeners, Carolina Gold is a long-season, true paddy rice requiring flooding for good cultivation, and support for the plants as they reach maturity.) Provided by The Carolina Gold Rice Foundation, Charleston, South Carolina. Pkt (1/2 oz) \$2.50

## VARIEGATED CAT GRASS #GS100

Barley (*Hordeum Vulgare*). Cats love a number of different grasses when they're in the mood for such things, but our barley is variegated in green and white stripes so it's a treat for the eye as well! A dish of grass for your feline companion can save a lot of wear and tear on your houseplants, and is much healthier for your cat as well. Pkt (275 seeds) \$3.00

## WHEAT, EMMER #GS134

(*Triticum dicoccum*) We're so excited to be able to offer this "ancient wheat." Known only from archeological digs until the early 20th century, emmer wheat was found growing in isolated areas of the Middle East, Italy and Russia. The yields are lower than for modern, "improved" wheats, but it's superior in homestead gardens because of its disease resistance and its ability to yield in poor soils. Most importantly, the structure of this wheat's gluten is different from that of modern types, so it's often digestible by people with gluten sensitivity or wheat allergies! Sometimes called "Pharaoh's Wheat." Pkt (1 oz) \$3.00

## WHEAT, WHITE SONORA #GS135

(*Triticum aestivum*) Here's another very old wheat, dating to the time before wheat was "improved." First brought to Arizona and the Southwest by

Spanish missionaries in 1691, the "soft" grains are rounded and pale reddish in color. They make a stretchy dough that was instrumental in the development of the flour tortilla. White Sonora was the main variety available in the west, including California, up to the Civil War. This variety has recently been the object of a commercial resurgence in the Southwest, and is another type that is well tolerated by most people who suffer from celiac disease or wheat allergies. Drought tolerant, disease resistant, and highly adaptable. Pkt (1 oz) \$3.00

## WHEAT, CHAM 2 #GS137

Bread wheat from Syria, where the semi-dwarf plants are usually grown under irrigation. This variety was released in 1983. In Syria it is grown as a spring wheat; our grower in Montana reports that he has grown it successfully both as a winter and as a spring variety. He adds that he prefers it used in pastries. We're so pleased to offer this unusual grain variety which was originally shared with us by our Syrian friend, Raghad Ghorani. Pkt (100 seeds) \$3.00

## WINTER RYE #GS140

This is an excellent winter cover crop, especially for those who do not want to put the garden to bed early in order to sow a cover crop. Winter rye is the fastest growing fall cover crop as far as cereal grains go. You may sow heavily in late fall, plants will grow in very cold temperatures and the extensive and deep root system will help to avoid erosion over the winter. The roots will also improve soil tilth and improve compacted soil. Winter rye will also grow in drought conditions as well as in areas with low fertility. Pkt (1 oz) \$2.50

## BLUE BONNET RICE #GS125

A traditional rice grown by native Mayan people who call it "Blue Bonnet". Collected by Mennonite farmers who have a community near Belmopan, it was given to them by their Mayan neighbors in the town of Armenia, Belize. This is an upland rice variety as it does not need to be flooded and can be grown in regular garden soil. Very productive plants. Here are the "growing instructions" we have for this seed: Warm weather, plant after last frost. Short season, start indoors, about the same time you would tomatoes, but still may not have much luck. Needs rich soil (good Nitrogen) plant 5 to 6 inches apart both ways if planting in a bed, or 2 to 3 inches apart with 1 to 2 foot between if planting in rows. Need to keep weeds down and keep the soil moist. Growers in TN planted in mid May and harvested in mid-September. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.75

## RED FIFE WHEAT #GS141 **NEW!**

Red Fife was the first heritage wheat nominated into the Slow Foods Ark of Taste, and it's no wonder why, this fantastic heirloom boasts superior flavor and a fascinating history. The exact origins of Red Fife are unknown. It is believed to have been grown by Mennonite farmers in Poland and brought to North America in the early 1800s. Although the origins are obscure, Red Fife rose to become the favorite wheat of the baking and milling industry during the late 1800s. A landrace variety, it has a broad genetic diversity, making it widely adaptable to many different growing conditions in North America. Ever adaptable and delicious, Red Fife can be grown as both a winter or spring wheat. This is a superb bread flour with a nutty flavor and honey overtones. An excellent choice for a gardener's first wheat crop! Pkt (1 oz) \$3.00

# ORIENTAL GREENS & CABBAGE

200 seeds per packet. Various crops are offered here—all are traditional culinary types from Asia. Bok choy and Tatsoi are turnip relatives grown for their spatulate leaves and succulent petioles (stems), which are often white and very juicy. Mustards are grown for their thinner, often spicy leaves. Chinese cabbages and kale form tight heads, but of often quite unusual shapes compared to the usual Western ones. As a group, these types tend to be fairly early and tolerant to cooler weather.



## CANTON BOK #OR124

The typical Nai-Pe-Tsai type pak choy, semi-upright plant produces thick, white stems and deep green leaves. Good for warm areas as it is heat tolerant. Pkt \$2.00



## CHINESE PAK CHOY #OR106

85 days. Long, white stems and dark green leaves; one of the most popular vegetables used in many Chinese dishes. Pkt \$2.00



## CHING CHANG BOK CHOY #OR127

This baby bok choy is a standard for quality. Small heads are harvested when just 5" tall; they are so tender and mild. The medium green plants are ready for harvest in 50 days. Perfect for marketing. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$7.00



## GREEN LEAF GAILAN—CHINESE KALE

#OR133 Large, delicious stems and flower buds are cooked like broccoli but is easier to grow and thrives in much warmer weather. The texture is very tender and crisp, perfect for stir-fries, soups and more. A great variety for Asian markets. Give it a try! Pkt \$2.00



## EXTRA DWARF PAK CHOY #OR130

The perfect baby vegetable for marketing, this tiny pak choy is picked when just 2" tall! It has dark green, wrinkled leaves with thick, white petioles and can be used whole to make amazing salads and stir-fries! Very tender and delicious! Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$7.00



## KOMATSUMA TENDERGREEN #OR102

(B. rapa) Japanese mustard greens. Tasty, slightly spicy, mild flavor, great for stir-frying or salads. Good for hot or cold weather. Pkt \$2.00



## LARGE LEAF TONG HO #OR131

Also known as Shungiku or Garland Chrysanthemum. This variety produces large, smooth leaves that add tremendous flavor to stir-fries, soups and salads; great spicy, sweet, aromatic taste. It also produces lovely yellow flowers and is super easy to grow. Popular Chinese heirloom. Pkt \$2.00



## MIZUNA #OR101

(B. rapa) A delicious Japanese green; cook like spinach. Vigorous plant produces many thin stalks; very mild and tasty, early. Highly used in salad mixes. Pkt \$2.00 or 1 oz \$4.00



## SHANGHAI GREEN CHOY #OR126

A delicious baby type that is so much in demand with top Asian chefs. Compact plants are upright and have light green stems. They are extra tender and finely flavored. Pkt \$2.50

**MILD, SPICY OR SWEET--THESE ASIAN LEAVES ADD HEALTHY FLAVOR TO THE DIET**



**CHINESE CABBAGE, HILTON #OR140**

70 days. Very easy to grow and made perfect heads in our Missouri gardens. Here's a superior Napa-type Chinese cabbage variety that has seldom been seen in the US. Medium-sized barrel-shaped heads are densely packed with crinkled, mild-tasting leaves. The preferred variety in the UK. Great raw or stir-fried, or in home-made kimchi! Pkt \$3.00



**CHINESE CABBAGE, CHIRIMEN HAKUSAI #OR105 *NEW!***

50 days. Here is an old Japanese variety that is superbly adapted to cool weather. An excellent loose leaf cabbage, the signature savoyed leaves are tender and sweet, perfect raw in salads, or try the leaves stir fried. They retain their nutrients and beautiful chartreuse color even when cooked. Chirimen Hakusai tops the list for cool season veggies with excellent cold hardiness and the ability to be harvested multiple times. Plants reach a foot in height at maturity. Pkt (100 seeds) \$3.00



**JAPANESE GIANT RED MUSTARD**

**#OR107** (B. juncea) Beautiful, large, Japanese type. Purple-red leaves with a delicious, strong, sharp, almost garlic-like, mustard flavor. Tasty stir-fried or boiled and makes a great pickling variety. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$6.50

**MIZUNA LIME STREAKS #OR135**  
45 days. Here's a different sort of mizuna: wide, very flat, ornately fringed leaves in clear bright green. Grows best in cooler weather, like other mizunas. Elegant in their own right, breathtaking when combined with Red Streaks mizuna. Makes micro-greens at 25 days. Pkt \$2.25

**MIZUNA RED STREAKS #OR136**  
45 days. One of the most fantastic and talked about plants in our entire cool season garden. The peppery foliage is almost like fine lace. Leaves have a splended purple-red color. A stunning sister to Lime Streaks. Makes micro-greens at 25 days. Pkt \$2.25



**HONG TAE PAK CHOY #OR149 *NEW!***

Nice, compact plants are medium-sized and very tasty. The stalks are crisp and refreshing, with a mild flavor. The leaves are dark and nutritious with a slight spicy flavor. We found these plants to stand up well against temperature swings and pests. Collected in Thailand. Pkt \$2.00



**TATSOI #OR103**

(B. rapa) Superb mild flavor, a must for stir-frying and salads. Beautiful, small rosette heads; very popular at Asian markets. Plant after last frost to help prevent bolting. The deep, green color is extra flavorful and nutritious. A favorite crop on our farm! Pkt \$2.00 or 1 oz \$4.00



# SALAD GREENS

## HEIRLOOM GREENS FOR BETTER SALADS!

200-600 seeds per pkt. A miscellany of crops is offered here. Each is unique; some are warm-growers, others revel in very cool weather. What they all have in common is their diversity of flavors and textures—too good to miss!



### AURORA MIXED ORACH #OG124

A delicious mix of radiant colors, all the more beautiful because the plants reach a nice size—very well suited to edible landscaping beds. Colors include red, gold, green, pink, carmine, and pure purple. Who says greens have to be green? This Frank Morton/Wild Garden Seed original is just plain fun and tasty! Pkt (40 seeds) \$3.00



### SUCCULENT ICEPLANT #FL919

(*Mesembryanthemum crystallinum*) Annual or biennial, to 10 inches. Prolific production of small daisy-like white to pink flowers in summer. A bed of Iceplant is oddly reminiscent of an undersea stand of sea anemones! The glistening, succulent leaves are edible—making a delicious, slightly tart spinach substitute. The crushed leaves also make a natural lather and have been used as a soap substitute. At one time the leaves were used to treat scurvy on long voyages, which explains its occurrence worldwide, seeds being present in soil dropped by ships in ballast dumps. Native to southern and western Africa. The plants also take up salt and have been used in bioremediation. Tolerates poor soils. Perennial in frost-free climates, where it may become invasive. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



### RED ORACH #OG103

(*Atriplex hortensis*) 4'-10' tall and bright red. Beautiful and tasty addition to salads or cooked. Related to Lambs Quarters. Lovely! Super nutritious. Pkt (150 seeds) \$2.00 or 1 oz \$12.00



### MUSTARD GREENS, SOUTHERN GIANT CURLED #OG110

(*B. juncea*) Large, upright plants with crumpled leaves that have a delicious mustard taste; slow to bolt, easy to grow. An old heirloom from the Southern US; makes a mighty swell mess of greens. Pkt \$1.75 or 1 oz \$4.00



### WATERCRESS, AQUA LG. LEAF #OG122

(*Nasturtium officinale*) Large rounded leaves are succulent and pungent. A high-yielding strain for professional production, or for anyone who cherishes this unique crop. Best for autumn or spring planting. Pkt (250 seeds) \$2.75



### WRINKLED CRINKLED CRESS #OG111

(*Lepidium sativum*) A very crinkled and ruffled garden cress, attractive for salads and popular with chefs; quite flavorful. Pkt \$2.00



### ARUGULA #OG106 >

(*Eruca sativa*) Delicious salad green has a spicy flavor; a rage in salads. I just love this green sprinkled on pizza and sandwiches. One of our most popular greens. Pkt \$2.00 or 1 oz \$4.00



### PEPPER CRESS #OG113

(*Lepidium sativum*) Spicy, peppery taste, similar to water cress in flavor; ready for snacking in just 2 weeks. Can be grown on a windowsill; perfect in salads. Pkt \$1.50 or 1 oz \$4.00



**ARUGULA PRONTO #OG121**

(*Eruca sativa*) Very serrated foliage, medium-green, which has quite a spicy taste. Unique in salads. A nice selection from Europe. Pkt \$2.00



**GOLDEN PURSLANE #HB222**

Annual. 35 days. The same upright habit and large, tender, succulent leaves as our green purslane, but this variety comes in a peppy, bright yellow green. So lovely in the garden or in your freshly picked salad! Purslane has the highest concentration of healthy omega-3 fats of any crop, and is rich in anti-oxidants as well. Leaves are sometimes pickled for storage. Pkt (500 seeds) \$2.75



**CORN SALAD, DUTCH #OG104**

(*Valerianella* sp.) This old-time favorite has a mild, nutty flavor. Tender leaves are excellent in salads or cooked. Pkt \$1.25 or 1 oz \$4.00



**CORN SALAD OR MACHE, VERTE A COEUR PLEIN 2 #OG116**

(*Valerianella* sp.) In 1885 France's Vilmorin said, "A very distinct variety, with short, roundish, smooth, half-erect, stiff leaves." The compact plants tend to be less productive than other types, but it is nicely flavored. Pkt \$2.00



**WILD ROCKET ARUGULA #OG107**

(*Diplotaxis tenuifolia*) Has a more pungent taste than regular arugula; leaves are deeply lobed. An Italian favorite. Pkt \$2.50



**BLACK MUSTARD #OG118**

(*Brassica nigra*) This black variety produces small dark seeds that are used as a spice; the spicy leaves are edible, too. It also makes tasty seedling sprouts. This plant is native to the Mediterranean where it has been grown for thousands of years. Many believe that black mustard seed is what Jesus spoke of in Matthew 13. Pkt \$2.00



**FRENCH DANDELION #HB215**

(*Taraxacum officinale*) Perennial—This is a cultivated strain from a Dutch seedsman. Plants reach to 12 inches in height. Use the young leaves in salads, older leaves as boiled greens. Roots can be roasted and used in place of coffee, or lifted and forced during winter, like Belgian Endive. We're proud to offer this European strain of a traditional old favorite! Pkt (150 seeds) \$2.00



**SALAD BURNET #OG105**

(*Sanguisorba minor*) Tasty in salads, great cucumber-like flavor. A easy to grow green that has now become hard to find. Pkt \$1.75



**GREEN WAVE MUSTARD #OG125**

50 days. (*Brassica juncea*) Curled and very frilly medium green leaves stay tender to a good size; upright plants reach 2 feet in height. Stands long in the field, tolerates more heat than most, bolts very late; also very cold-hardy. Flavor is sharp: nice and spicy! A high-yielding type that makes a good crop in home or market gardens, and makes choice micro-greens. All-America Award winner in 1957. Pkt \$2.00

# SALAD BLENDS



**ROCKY TOP LETTUCE SALAD #SB103**  
**Very Popular!** Our improved formula blend is now better than ever! With more brightly colored and unique lettuces, it makes a flavorful and brilliant salad. A top-selling item for us; our customers just love it! Perfect for better markets or your home table. Pkt \$3.00 or 1 oz \$7.00



**EUROPEAN MESCLUN SALAD #SB101**  
 Grow this mix of greens for one of the tastiest salads ever! Flavors range from sweet-mild to sour-hot-tangy, and colors come in red, purple, yellow, and green. A favorite with market growers. Pkt \$3.00 or 1 oz \$6.50



**RED WING LETTUCE MIX #SB105**  
 "The All Red Formula Mix." At last a lettuce mix that contains a wide range of the best brilliant red (and red-splashed) specialty types! Our growers love this beautiful mix. Pkt \$3.00 or 1 oz \$6.50



**SIAMESE DRAGON STIR-FRY MIX #SB106** All the best Asian greens for stir-frying and steaming. The rich flavor of these greens is incredible when lightly cooked and seasoned with garlic and Thai peppers. Pkt \$3.00 or 1 oz \$6.50

# KOHLRABI

BIG BULBS ARE CRUNCHY AND SWEET!

(*Brassica oleracea*) Here's a cabbage relative with a difference: the main crop is the stem, which has been selected over the centuries to grow as an oblate sphere, about the size of an apple or larger. Well grown, this stem is juicy and crisp, and tastes similar to a cabbage heart. The leaves are edible too, especially when young. This crop tolerates heat better than most cabbage relatives, and can be grown straight through the summer in most areas of the country.



**DELICACY WHITE #KL105**  
 Beautiful, smooth globes are a lovely, light-green. They are quite uniform, and the flesh is tender and of high quality. These stay tender even as they mature. Pkt (400 seeds) \$2.75



**EARLY WHITE VIENNA #KL102**  
 This old variety is about the same as the purple, except these have pale green skin; mild and tasty. Pkt (400 seeds) \$2.00



**SUPERSCHMELZ OR GIANT WHITE #KL103**  
 60-70 days. Spectacular light green kohlrabi makes the largest bulb of any variety, up to 10 inches across, and weighing up to 10 lbs! Yet the flesh is tender and never gets fibrous. Requires a very rich soil and plenty of space to reach gigantic proportions. Pkt (400 seeds) \$2.75



**EARLY PURPLE VIENNA #KL101**  
 Delicious, cabbage-flavored bulbs that grow above ground. Purple skin and sweet, white flesh; good cooked or raw. Kohlrabi makes a real staple crop with high yields; cold hardy. A pre-1860 heirloom. Pkt (400 seeds) \$2.00

# KALE & COLLARDS

## EAT MORE COLLARDS

(*Brassica oleracea*) 250 seeds per packet. Kale may be the hardiest of the cabbage kin. It excels in cold weather, tasting best after frost has kissed the tender, succulent leaves, and making moderate growth whenever there is even a slight warm spell. Start in containers indoors or direct seed in the garden in late June. May also be sown indoors for early spring planting. Kale thrives in rich soil, heavy in organic matter and is moisture-retentive but well drained.



### BLUE CURLED SCOTCH KALE #KA101

Compact plants yield tender, blue-green, crinkled leaves that are quite delicious; very cold-hardy, and rich in vitamin A. Pkt \$2.25 or 1 oz \$7.00



### COLLARDS, GEORGIA SOUTHERN (CREOLE) #OG109

A great old Southern favorite, pre-1880 heirloom. Has a good resistance to heat and cold. Sure, it's great for the South, but also good up North. Huge yield, a real producer, very tasty and flavorful. Pkt \$2.00



### ORNAMENTAL FRINGED MIX #KA104

This lovely mix contains pretty shades of pink, purple, and white. Contrasts nicely with the deep green outer leaves. Also known as Flowering Kale, the plants look like huge frilly flowers. The leaves make a superb garnish and are good as cooked greens. Best grown as a fall plant because colors are more intense in cool weather. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



### FORAGE KALE PROTEOR #KA105

Medium height and superior leaf-to-stem ratio make this kale superior to most garden varieties, at least when it comes to growing livestock feed. May be grazed, cut and fed, or ensiled or stored in clamps or the root cellar. Also may be planted in patches for feeding game. Extreme winter hardiness. Pkt \$2.00



### NERO DI TOSCANA (Dinosaur or Lacinato Kale) #CB101

60 days. This loose-leafed "cabbage" dates back to the early 1800's at least. It has beautiful, deep black-green leaves that can be 24" long. They are heavily savoyed. This Italian heirloom is popular in Tuscany and central Italy for making fabulous soups and stews. One of the most beautiful and flavorful types you can grow. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$6.00

## Kale: GROW AMERICA'S POPULAR SUPER FOOD!



### MORRIS HEADING COLLARDS #OG112

This variety is called "cabbage collards" by Southern old-timers because it makes loose heads that are dark green and slow to bolt. Tender leaves are very delicious. A popular heirloom that is fast-growing and productive. Pkt \$1.75



### SCARLET KALE #KA116

A lovely curled "red" kale that produces lots of delicious, frilly leaves and takes on the chill of winter with stride! Pretty in the flower garden or on the plate. Rich in nutrition and flavor. Pkt (150 seeds) \$2.75



### RUSSIAN RED or RAGGED JACK #KA103

50 days. Very tender and mild, a pre-1885 heirloom variety. Oak-type leaves have a red tinge, and stems are a purplish-red. One of our favorite kales. Great flavor. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$4.50



### DWARF SIBERIAN KALE #KA102

This tasty Russian variety produces leaves that are only slightly frilled and of top quality. 16" plants are very hardy and productive. Pkt \$2.00



### TRONCHUDA KALE #KA107

(Couve Tonchuda) or Portuguese Kale. A bit more heat tolerant than other kales, for a longer harvest period on either end of winter season. Leaves are large, flat, rounded, similar to collard, but very large and with very prominent white veins, earning some strains a variety name of "costata," meaning "ribbed." The leaves are more succulent and the flavor is more cabbage-like than other kales. The fleshy stems or petioles are enjoyed as well. Definitely an exciting addition to an already illustrious group! Pkt \$2.50

# LEEK

GOURMET, MILD  
ONION FLAVOR!

(*Allium ampeloprasum*) 400 seeds per pkt. Onion relative that does require a long season but is otherwise very easy to grow.

### AUTUMN GIANT #LK106

Autumn Giant types are grown traditionally throughout Western Europe. Fine-flavored, mid-season variety for harvest through autumn. Leaves have a medium-green color; broad white shank is of medium length. Stands in winter in milder climates, harvest by December elsewhere. Pkt \$2.25



### BULGARIAN GIANT #LK103

A long thin leek of the best quality; light green leaves. Fine autumn variety that is popular in Europe. Pkt \$2.25 or 1 oz \$7.00



### CARENTAN #LK101

Long, thick (2" across), vigorous, and fast growing; delicate, deliciously mild flavor; great fresh or cooked. The Carentan leek was mentioned by Vilmorin in 1885. An old European favorite that is becoming rare. Very adaptable and yields are good. Pkt \$2.25 or 1 oz \$7.00



### GIANT MUSSELBURGH #LK102

An heirloom that was introduced in 1834 near Edinburgh, Scotland. Large, very thick stems; tasty mild flavor. Grows well in most locations; perfect for home or market. This old favorite has a huge size and is very winter hardy. Pkt \$2.25

# LETTUCE

## HEIRLOOM VARIETIES HAVE MORE FLAVOR

(*Lactuca sativa*) An Old World crop, appreciated since ancient times, that requires cooler temperatures to grow really well. Sow in place in the garden as early in spring as soil may be worked—seeds sprout and grow whenever mild weather predominates. Or start indoors and set out acclimated seedlings 2-4 weeks before last frost date. Succession plant lettuce for a continual crop, but avoid long days and heat of early-mid summer. May be grown right through the winter where the weather is mild, or under row cover, cold frames, etc. Lettuce is healthy and rich in Vitamins A & C. 250 seeds per pkt.



### AMISH DEER TONGUE #LT125

50 days. Medium-green, triangular leaves are perfect for baby salad greens. It forms loose, upright heads and is slow to bolt. A popular variety with many heirloom growers. The old favorite of the Amish. Pkt \$2.50



### BIG BOSTON (Laitue Lorthois) #LT106

First offered in this country by Peter Henderson & Co. in 1890. Originally from France, it was renamed Big Boston by Henderson. A heading-type that is large, tender, and good for salads. Pkt \$2.00



### BUTTERCRUNCH #LT155

65 days. Classic butterhead type was the standard for many years. Soft, buttery-textured leaves enclose a crisp, juicy, loose inner head of blanched, sweet-tasting leaves. Very heat-tolerant and slow to bolt, Buttercrunch stays mild long after others have turned bitter. Developed by George Raleigh, Cornell University, and an All America Selection for 1963. Pkt \$2.25



### BELEAF ROSE #LT169

52 days. (Leaf type) Very frilly and shiny leaf type that is intensely ruby-red. It has to be one of the darkest lettuces around! The red color carries deeper down into the center than with many other good red varieties. Recommended for baby greens, or cut-and-come-again harvesting. Pkt \$2.50



### BUTTER KING #LT154

65 days. The pale green leaves are soft and, yes, buttery; the heads are heavy and relatively compact, filled with tender inner leaves that are mellow, sweet and succulent. Slower to bolt and tolerates heat better than most butterhead (Bibb) types, making it especially valuable in the South, or wherever summer heat comes early or unpredictably. All America Selection in 1966; bred in Ottawa, Canada. Pkt \$2.25



### CIMMARON #LT122

65 days. Very nice, deep red, romaine-type heads; good resistance to bolting. Crisp, juicy texture and delicious flavor. This heirloom dates from the 18th century. Pkt \$2.25



### CRISP MINT #LT150

60-65 days. Romaine type. Large, succulent, mint-green outer leaves surround crystal-white hearts: mild, sweet and crunchy in flavor. Succulent heads to 10 inches in height are a standout in the salad garden. Pkt \$2.50



### FLASHY BUTTER GEM #LT160

70 days. Nearly full-sized Romaine type dappled in a lovely, deep crimson. Another "Flashy" introduction from Frank Morton, Shoulder to Shoulder Farm, this one is a high yielder, and also makes a great early baby Romaine. Very tender and delicious! Pkt (150 seeds) \$3.00

**QUICK AND EASY TO GROW! TRY SOME OF OUR COLORFUL CHOICES!**



**HENDERSON'S BLACK-SEEDED SIMPSON #LT108** 60 days. Introduced in the 1870's by Peter Henderson & Co. Sweet and tender leaves, light yellow-green; very popular. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$3.75**



**CELTUCE #LT147**  
*Delicious, cucumber-flavored, crisp stalks from ancient China!*

A very unique lettuce. Grown for its giant, crunchy stems that are tasty raw or cooked, the leaves can also be used as greens. This is a totally new type of vegetable for most Americans, although it was introduced from China in the 1840s. These are quite delicious and are high in vitamin C! Pkt \$2.00



**ICE QUEEN #LT166**  
80 days. (also known as Reine des Glaces) A wholly superior crisphead (iceberg) type, this French heirloom shows excellent tolerance to cold, and makes a great crop to plant extra early or late! The frilled outer leaves are mild enough to use for leaf-lettuce, or harvest as baby greens. With its darker green color and ever-so-slightly bitter interior, it's widely regarded as the best crisphead type around! Pkt \$2.25



**LITTLE GEM #LT116**  
50 days. Very small, green, romaine-type. One of the very best-tasting lettuces. A superb heat-tolerant variety that is sure to please! Pkt \$2.25 or **1 oz \$5.00**



**LOLLO ROSSA #LT127**  
60 days. Very curled leaves are light green with stunning bright red edges. Mild and tasty. A most beautiful lettuce, superb for market. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$7.50**



**MERVEILLE DES QUATRE SAISONS #LT107** 48 days. A pre-1885 French heirloom; crisp and tender. The fine-flavored leaves have a reddish color. It is becoming popular again. Pkt \$2.25 or **1 oz \$4.50**



**OUTREGEOUS #LT148**  
Quite possibly the reddest lettuce variety known! Harvest as a leaf lettuce or allow to grow until the loose, Romaine-type heads develop—either way, it lends an "outrage" of red to salads or sandwiches. So pretty in the garden, too! Another Frank Morton selection. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50 or **1 oz \$6.50**



**RED ROMAINE #LT115**  
Delicious, flavorful lettuce brings color and zest to salads. The red coloring develops best in cool weather. A good variety for specialty markets. Pkt \$2.25 or **1 oz \$6.50**



**TOM THUMB #LT102**

60 days. An heirloom lettuce that dates to the 1850's. It makes small cabbage-like green heads, only 3"-4" across. Very tasty, a winner for classy markets! Pkt \$2.00



**TRIUMPHETER OR GLORY OF VOORBURG #LT177**

This delicious butter head type won over our staff in our 2015 lettuce trials. The tender and mild leaves melt in your mouth, truly buttery. A loose leaf type lettuce, with brilliant bright green foliage. Tasty, Tasty, Tasty! Pkt \$2.00



**MERLOT #LT158**

55 days. (Also known as "Galactic.") Reputed to be absolutely the darkest red lettuce in existence, which should make it tops for anthocyanin (anti-oxidant) content as well! Leaf lettuce with wavy to frilly leaf margins and very crisp, waxy leaves! Excellent bolt resistance, and good cold tolerance for a late fall to winter crop. Recommended as a cutting type for baby greens production or cut-and-come-again harvesting. We feel, along with our friend William Woys Weaver, that this variety is destined to become a classic, and it certainly deserves it! Pkt (150 seeds) \$3.00



**FORELLENSCHLUSS #LT104**

60 days. Old Austrian heirloom; the name means "speckled like a trout." A superb, gorgeous romaine lettuce that is highly splashed in deep red. Very beautiful and tasty. Pkt \$2.25 or 1 oz \$7.50



**LUNIX LETTUCE #LT114 NEW!**

Oak-leaf type produces lustrous, deep red leaves. Very slow to bolt; the rich, red leaves and upright symmetrical form commend this one for market gardens as well as home gardeners who insist upon superior types. Also highly recommended for hydroponics cultivation and out-of-season low-tunnel production. Rare in this country, and very choice. Pkt \$3.00



**SANGUINE AMELIORE OR STRAWBERRY CABBAGE LETTUCE #LT144**

This unique 19th century French heirloom was introduced to America by C.C. Morse in 1906 under the name "Strawberry Cabbage Lettuce." The small cabbage or butter-head type plants are quite charming with green leaves that are splashed in scarlet-red as if a red rain fell upon them, glistening and beautiful. Leaves are tender, mild and of a high quality; yummy! Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.75



# MELONS

(Cucumis melo) We have heirloom melons that can mature in almost any climate. Try some of these sweet & juicy varieties this year and enjoy a taste trip into your past... enjoy the flavor! 25-50 seeds per pkt.



## APPLE MELON #OML135

85 days. Adorable little tear-drop shaped melons just fit your hand. The cheerful golden-yellow and green striped skin is thin like many Asian types; the fruit is eaten skin and all, like an apple. Our growers, the Gingerich family of Kentucky, first found this variety in Filadelfia in the Gran Chaco region of western Paraguay, in 1968. They grew it elsewhere in Paraguay and Belize for years before moving to Kentucky, where they have enjoyed it for several years. They and we are excited to pass this gem onto you! Pkt \$3.00



## ANANAS #AML102

100 days. Sweet and juicy white flesh. A rare white muskmelon; fruit are around 5 lbs. An old 1800's heirloom. Pkt \$2.50



## ANANAS D'AMERIQUE A CHAIR VERT

**#AML110** Fragrant, incredibly delicious flesh that keeps getting rave reviews from our customers and is a favorite of our staff. This historic heirloom was grown by Thomas Jefferson in 1794. It was offered commercially in the USA in 1824, and it was illustrated in color in France in 1854 in the Vilmorin Album. This wonderful variety has become very rare. The fruit have netted skin and light green flesh that is firm, sweet, and highly perfumed. Productive plants can be trained up a trellis. Pkt \$3.00 or **1 oz \$7.00**

## HARVEST THE QUEEN OF SUMMER FRUITS



## CHARENTAIS #ML114

85 days. A famous superb heirloom French melon—super sweet and very fragrant. Light grey-green skin, smooth round 2-to 3-lb fruit, bright orange flesh. These are top sellers at high-dollar markets. This was my favorite melon in 2003. I just love the sweet flesh that is so firm. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$7.00**



## COLLECTIVE FARM WOMAN #OML110

80-85 days. This heirloom from Ukraine was collected in 1993 by Seed Savers Exchange. Very popular on the peninsula of Krim in the Black Sea. Melons ripen to a yellowish gold, and the white flesh has a very high sugar content; a favorite among heirloom gardeners and market growers alike. Ripens early, even in Russia, and tolerates comparatively cool summers—known to do well in Canada. Pkt \$2.50



## CRANE #AML130

85 days. The famous California heirloom introduced in 1920 by Oliver Crane, whose family has been farming near Santa Rosa for six generations. Delicious Crenshaw-type melons have pale orange flesh that is very sweet and fine flavored; green-skinned rind with orange spots when ripe. Fruit are 4 lbs each. Pkt \$2.50



## BANANA #AML113

90 days. Banana-shaped fruit with smooth, yellow skin; and sweet, spicy, salmon-colored flesh. 16"-24" long, 5-8 lbs. It was listed in 1885 by J. H. Gregory's Catalogue, which said, "When ripe it reminds one of a large, overgrown banana... It smells like one, having a remarkably powerful and delicious fragrance." This is one of my all-time favorites, being very sweet and great for specialty markets. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$6.00**



## BATEEKH SAMARRA #OML142

95 days. Oblong fruits are brownish-green and netted outside, lime green within. In our trials the flavor was an unusual, a very delicious, sweet-tart combination with a distinct citrus taste. The name simply means "old melon from Samarra," which is a city in northern Iraq. Original seed was furnished by our friend, Iraqi seed collector Nael Aziz, who writes that this variety is known to have been grown in the Abbasid Period over one thousand years ago! Endangered due to war and America's aggressive promotion of patented seeds in Iraq. Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00

*"Let food be thy medicine and medicine be thy food." -Hippocrates*

**GROW THESE SWEET TREATS OF SUMMER! TRY ALL THE DIVERSE VARIETIES!**

**BOULE D'OR**

**#ML106**

(Golden Perfection)  
Very sweet, pale green flesh is just marvelous. Lovely yellow fruit have a unique, lacy netting, like a work of art. This was one of our top melons in our 2003 trials, truly incredible; my all-time favorite honeydew type. Sugary flesh is so flavorful and rich. This variety is a dream for market growers and will command high prices with gourmets and chefs alike! It was listed in Vilmorin's book, *The Vegetable Garden*, in 1885 but it is very rare now. Let's make this variety a market favorite again! Pkt \$3.00



**BIDWELL CASABA #AML147**

95 days. This melon was grown by General John Bidwell, who received his seed stock from the USDA in 1869. He was a soldier in the Civil War and also became a US senator. He grew this melon in Chico, California. It produces massive fruits that weigh about 16 lbs each and are football-shaped. The orange flesh is sweet and creamy. Dr. Amy Goldman says "tastes like heavenly orange sherbet," in her book *Melons for the Passionate Grower*. Pkt \$2.75



**EDENS GEM (ROCKY FORD GREEN-FLESHED) #AML109**

90 days. An old heirloom variety, from 1881. This old-timer is still a popular green flesh muskmelon, with a heavily-netted rind and smooth, sweet-flavored flesh. Fruits weigh 2-3 lbs. A good keeper; has firm flesh. From Colorado. Pkt \$2.25



**GOLDEN JENNY #AML133**

An outstanding golden meated version of Jenny Lind, developed by long time friend and the late, master seed saver, Merl Neidens. Short vines just go wild producing these succulent, sweet 2 lb. beauties. Give this one a try at upscale markets. Early and productive. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$6.50**



**DELICIOUS 51 #AML108**

4-5 lbs, round-oval muskmelon, salmon-orange sweet flesh. A popular home garden variety; early. Pkt \$2.50



**GINGER'S PRIDE #AML141**

The largest melon we carry. Huge, oblong fruits average 14-22 lbs. each! The skin is green, turning yellowish when ripe. The flesh is very sweet, melting and of excellent quality. The vines set heavy yields. This variety was sent to us by a retired minister from Indiana. It has been in his family for many years, originating in Kentucky. This is a melon to give any grower pride. Pkt \$2.75



**GOLDEN HONEYMOON #AML119**

92 days A honeydew melon with a brilliant, gold rind and delicious green flesh; unique flavor. Two weeks earlier than regular Honeydew; excellent yields. Will rarely sunburn; a great keeper, unique and rare! Pkt \$2.50



**GOLDEN SWEET #OML101**

**Quick to yield!** This early melon has gorgeous, lemon-colored rinds and small size. The flesh is white, crisp and good. An easy to grow variety from Taiwan. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.50



**HALE'S BEST 45 #AML101**

85 days. A popular heirloom developed around 1920 by a Japanese market grower in California. Sweet, smooth, orange flesh. A good flavored muskmelon. Pkt \$2.00



**HONEYDEW - TAM DEW #AML103**

100 days. Beautiful, ivory-green fruit, deep green; very sweet flesh, with classic Honeydew flavor! A superb variety. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$5.00



**HONEY ROCK #AML105**

80 days. An early heirloom melon; 3-4 lbs. Thick, sweet, firm deep salmon-colored flesh; good yields of quality fruit. An AAS winner for 1933. Good size for an early melon. Pkt \$1.75 or 1 oz \$5.00



**JENNY LIND #AML117**

80 days. This fine melon dates back to the 1840's and was sold by many of the seed companies of that day. It was named for the famous singer, Jenny Lind, "The Swedish Nightingale." This wonderful 1- to 2-lb turban-shaped melon is very sweet and has light green, delicious flesh. It is becoming popular again with those who try it! Pkt \$2.50



**METKI DARK GREEN SERPENT MELON (ARMENIAN) #OML104**

65 days. An ancient heirloom, introduced from Armenia into Italy as far back as the 1400's. It is a melon, but is used like a cucumber; picked small (18" or less), it is very mild and tasty, but the fruits can grow to over 3' long! Easy to grow, and good yields; it should be planted in more gardens. Pkt \$2.50



**METKI PAINTED SERPENT MELON**

**#OML105** Very long fruit with dark green and pale green stripes and excellent flavor; a rare Armenian-type cucumber that is actually a melon; very unique and is a great selling item at farmers markets everywhere. Pkt \$2.50



**MINNESOTA MIDGET #AML140**

70 days. This very small, very early heirloom was introduced in Minnesota in 1948. They have sweet, orange flesh, measure just 4" across, and are perfect miniature versions of the "Classic Muskmelon." Compact 3'-4' vines produce good yields. I fondly remember these as the only melons our family could get to ripen in Charlo, Montana, 20-some-years ago. Pkt \$2.50



**HA'OGEN #OML150**

75-80 days (Also known as Israel Melon) An excellent-tasting, early melon. Commonly thought to have originated in Israel, where its name means "anchor" but may have actually originated in Hungary. Flavorful green flesh; good yields of nearly round, 3-4 lb fruits; a beautiful melon! Very fragrant. A long-time favorite of the Gettle family. Pkt \$2.50



**PETIT GRIS DE RENNES #ML104**

85 days. Dense, 2-lb fruits have orange flesh that is superbly sweet, flavorful, and perfumed. This variety is early and well adapted to cool climates. The fruit weigh around 2 lbs and have a grey-green rind. This fine French variety is of the best quality and is the favorite melon of the French melon expert and author Bruno Defay. Rare in the USA. One of our most-requested market melons, specialty growers love them because they command top prices! We continue to receive rave reviews about this melon, which is surely one of the best Charentais types. Pkt \$3.50 or 1 oz \$9.00



**VALENCIA WINTER MELON #ML115**

An old-time melon listed by American seedsmen in the 1830's but probably goes back much further; believed to come from Italy. Can keep four months into the winter. Very sweet cream-colored flesh, dark green skin; rare and delicious. Pkt \$2.50



**NOIR DES CARMES #ML109**

80 days. A beautiful and rare heirloom from France, the famous "Black Rock" melon preserved by the Carmelite monks. It was mentioned by Mawe & Abercrombie in 1787. Nearly black in color, the fruit turns orange as it ripens. They are deeply ribbed and have smooth skin. The flesh is orange in color, thick, flavorful, and perfumed. Excellent and unusual. The fruit weighs about 3-6 lbs each. Pkt \$2.75



**RICH SWEETNESS 132 #OML126**

Incredible little melons from the former Soviet Union. The fruits are a beautiful red, striped with golden yellow and weigh only about 1/4 lb! The flesh is pure white and quite sweet. These have a very refreshing taste and are very fragrant. They are perfect for single servings. These little melons are so much fun and great for children's gardens. The vines are very productive and produce all season long. One of the best new varieties we've discovered in the last few years. Try a few of these delicious little melons in your home or market garden. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



**AMISH MELON #AML164 *NEW!***

A flavorful old Amish heirloom that was collected by members of Seed Savers Exchange. It has a rich, sweet muskmelon flavor that reminds you of the way melons tasted long ago. Fruit are oval and weigh 4-7 pounds each. The flesh color is orange. A good producer! Pkt \$2.75



**KAJARI #JS235**

This amazing early Indian melon was collected by Joseph Simcox. The fruits are a brilliant copper-red and are striped in green and cream, making this an extremely unusual and beautiful melon. The pale green flesh is sweet, aromatic and slightly musky in taste. Joe believes that this melon originated in the Punjab, and Joe spent more than 8 years trying to find seeds of this extremely interesting variety. Vine produces lots of 2 lb fruit. Pkt (15 seeds) \$4.50 or 1 oz \$16.00



**SWEET PASSION #AML149**

An Ohio heirloom that has been grown since the 1920s. According to legend, the sweet orange flesh is said to cause a state of passion if eaten straight from the garden on a moonlit summer night. It has succulent flesh that is very sweet, aromatic and very finely flavored. Fruits weigh 3-4 lbs, and are produced on vines that have some drought and wilt resistance. Pkt \$2.50



**HUERFANO BLISS MELON #AML168**

*NEW!* 90 days. An orange-fleshed honeydew with exceptional flavor. Slightly oval shaped fruits average 5 pounds. Hailing from the Arkansas Valley of Colorado, Huerfano Bliss was bred for superb flavor, not shipping quality, making it best suited for home gardeners or local markets-- a real delicacy. Pkt \$2.50



**PRESCOTT FOND BLANC #ML102**

70 days. The most unique and beautiful French melon we sell! The fruit is 4-9 lbs, very flattened and ribbed, with warts and bumps. Melons have grey-green skin turning straw color; flesh is salmon-orange. Once one of the best-known melons, it was mentioned in the 1860's, but it likely is much older. The flavor is very rich if picked at perfection, and the fragrance is heavenly. This is a favorite melon of mine, almost unheard of in this country. Pkt \$3.00



**TIGGER #OML107**

90 days. The most amazing looking melon we have grown. The fruit are vibrant yellow with brilliant fire-red, zigzag stripes (a few fruit may be solid yellow), simply beautiful! They are also the most fragrant melons we have tried, with a rich, sweet, intoxicating aroma that will fill a room. The white flesh gets sweeter in dry climates, mild tasting. Small in size, the fruits weigh up to 1 lb. The vigorous plants yield heavily, even in dry conditions. This heirloom came from an Armenian market located in a mountain valley. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00, or 1 oz \$10.00



**MADHU RAS, RAJASTHAN HONEY MELON #JS257**

This is a small but delicious melon from Rajasthan, India. The name Madhu Ras means honey melon, an appropriate name for such a sweet fruit. These melons thrive in the hot and dry conditions of Western India, and they will grow in similar conditions in the U.S. This is a rare find brought to us from botanical explorer, Joseph Simcox who found this special heirloom at a market in Delhi, India. Pkt \$4.00

# Cassabanana



**CASSABANANA or MELOCOTON #MC101** (*Sicana odorifera*) Wow, this is exciting! I saw this crop along the roadside in Guatemala. The fruits were brilliant flaming red and about 2' long—one of the most beautiful things I had ever seen! They have bright orange flesh that is sweet and is used in drinks, jellies and other desserts; it has a unique tropical fruit taste. The fruits are fragrant and keep for a long period, like squash, making this a hot item for fall sales for pumpkin growers. Huge vines can grow to 50' and are quite ornamental, but they do require a very long season and are mostly grown in Florida and the Deep South. Here in southern Missouri the fruit almost ripened, but we ran short of days. This plant was first mentioned in Europe in 1658 as a popular plant in Peru. We are happy to have located a small supply of seed. **AVAILABLE ONLINE ONLY FOR 2017.**

# Bitter Melon



**GREEN SKIN #BM108** (*Momordica charantia*) 90 days. This Chinese variety produces nice-sized, 8-inch green-skinned, curiously bumpy fruit. The plants yield well and are attractive in the landscape, having deeply cut leaves, bright yellow flowers and developing fruits—very effective on trellises and arbors! Bitter melon is a traditional staple in much of Asia; local cuisines appreciate the mildly bitter taste in soups and curries. As a bonus, the pulp surrounding the seeds turns brilliant scarlet at full maturity, and its sweet taste is also utilized in its native lands. Bitter melon is recognized for its value in blood-sugar regulation among diabetics in some countries. Pkt (20 seeds) \$1.50

# Snake Melons



**LONG EX SNAKE #SM102**  
This medium-sized snake melon produces beautiful 12-20" fruit that are green with white stripes and snake-like. At maturity they turn bright red inside and out. Lovely vining plants grow well in warm summers, and produce well. Pick young fruit, slice, and add to flavorful curries, soups and stir-fries. A fun and easy-to-grow melon. Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00

# Wax Melons



**CANTON GIANT #WX104**  
The famous giant variety that is very popular in South China. Large, long fruit can grow to 40 lbs! They have mild, tasty, white flesh and a deep green rind. These are sublime in all kinds of curries, soups and stews. A real heirloom treasure that is hard to find. Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00

*"When you do the common things in life in an uncommon way, you will command the attention of the world."* -George Washington Carver

# Jelly Melon



**KIWANO or AFRICAN HORNED CUCUMBER #JM101** (*Cucumis metuliferus*) Very unusual fruit with spiny "horns." The green-yellow skin turns a bright deep orange when ready to harvest, and the pulp inside the fruit resembles lime green Jell-O. The fruit has a sweet-sour, banana-lime-tropical fruit taste; good juiced and sweetened; delicious with yogurt. This fruit is showing up quite often in US markets. Native to Africa, it is hardy and easy to grow; can be grown just about anywhere you can grow melons. Beautiful vine and fruit! Tiny seed. Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00



**KIWANO RUND #JM102** (*Cucumis metuliferus*) 120 days. Round version of our popular Jelly Melon. Fruits are about 3" in diameter, covered in intriguing points. The skin is white to ivory colored. Flesh is juicy, sweet and delicious. The flavor is often compared to banana and lemon. Vines reach 5 to 10 feet, may be trellis-grown. Very cute and just plain fun! Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00

# OKRA

## LOTS OF DELICIOUS PODS ON ORNAMENTAL PLANTS

(*Abelmoschus esculentus*) 30-75 seeds per packet. This African native and staple of the Deep South really thrives on heat! Slaves from Angola called okra "ngumbo", which became gumbo, a popular name for several okra dishes to this day. Does best when direct-sown into warm soil but can be started earlier indoors and transplanted, so long as the young plants aren't allowed to become root bound. Soil for okra need not be especially rich; plants are drought tolerant but produce more with adequate moisture. Keeping pods picked encourages further production.



### ALABAMA RED #OK132

A delicious heirloom from Alabama, this variety has fat, red-tinged pods that are great fried or in gumbo! One of our most popular varieties, it is unique and rare. Pkt \$2.50



### BURGUNDY #OK102

55 days. Pods are a beautiful, deep red, and stems are also red. Very tender and delicious. Ornamental; tasty. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$6.00



### BURMESE #OK111

We are proud to offer this heirloom variety from Burma (Myanmar). Large pods are tender, spineless, and finely flavored. The plants start yielding early and production lasts until frost. Pkt \$2.50



### CLEMSON SPINELESS #OK103

60 days. Plant is spineless; tasty green pods, best picked small. Developed in 1939. Still a standard in many home gardens. Pkt \$2.00 or 1 oz \$4.00



### EAGLE PASS #OK133

From the area around Carrizo Springs and Eagle Pass, Texas. Productive plants are a favorite of the local farmer who grows this variety. A great okra that is less slimy than others; big pods are tender and delicious. Pkt \$2.50



### EMERALD #OK105

60 days. A Campbell Soup Co. variety from 1950; early, round and smooth, deep-green tasty pods; high quality and early, tall plants. Pkt \$2.50



### GOLD COAST #OK136

Spineless pods are light green and often reach 6" in length while remaining tender. Compact plants to about 5 feet tall are very well branched, producing plenty of sweet, tender pods. A bit later than some types; very drought tolerant. Throw in resistance to root-knot nematode and you've got a great variety for the Deep South. Recommended! Pkt \$2.50



### HILL COUNTRY HEIRLOOM RED #OK112

Fat pods are very tender and full of good "Okree" flavor that is so popular in the hill regions of eastern Texas. The pods are reddish green in color, and the plants have red stems, very productive and high quality. Pkt \$3.00



### STAR OF DAVID #OK106

70 days. Israeli variety. Short, very thick pods are quite delicious. The pods are twice as big around as most okra. Pkt \$2.50



### STELLEY #OK134

Louisiana variety originally collected in St. Landry Parish, Louisiana, at the heart of Cajun heritage and culture, where it was found growing near an old, abandoned homestead 50 years ago. The plants are fairly compact, reaching 5-6 feet in height, and are super productive! The pods stay tender to 6"-7" in length. Original seed was furnished by our friend, collector Kurt Bridges. Pkt (20 seeds) \$2.50

"And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat." -Genesis 1:29



**BOWLING RED OK120**

Lovely plants that grow 7'-8' tall and have deep red stems. The great-tasting pods are long and thin, being quite tender even when longer than most. This heirloom has been grown by the Bowling family of Virginia since at least the 1920's. Pkt \$2.50



**LOUISIANA 16-INCH LONG POD #OK127**

Large, branching plants produce huge yields of truly giant pods, up to 16 inches long! This heirloom comes from Evangeline Parish, where it has been grown for a very long time. Sent to us by Cajun and Creole seed collector Kurt Bridges, who says the plants often get "big like a fir tree" in Louisiana. Pods stay tender for longer than most, but should still be picked young. We loved this variety! Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.50



**PERKINS LONG POD #OK108**

Very green, extra-large pods are tender and delicious, the perfect okra for canning and gumbo. Vigorous and productive plants are 5' in height; an old favorite. Pkt \$2.25



**MAYAN #OK143**

A flavorful okra with good-sized pods that are produced on sturdy tall plants that have red stems. This variety was collected by our grower, David Johansen from a elderly Mayan man in Belize, Central America. Pkt \$2.75



**JING ORANGE #OK126**

60 days. Our favorite Okra! Lovely pods are a deep reddish-orange and are quite colorful. This Asian variety produces lots of flavorful 6"-8" pods early, even in dry conditions. An exciting new variety that is unique and beautiful. One of the most tender we offer. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.75

# ONION

## GROW ONIONS FOR YEAR-ROUND FLAVOR

(*Allium cepa*) 300+ seeds per packet. A very ancient Old World crop—records exist telling how many onions were allocated to the laborers building the pyramids, and they were a basic ration to Greek hoplites. Long-day onions tend to do best in the North and short-day types do best in the South; the dividing line is at about the 35th parallel. Onions grow best in mellow soil, rich and possessing much organic matter. The tiny seeds are usually started indoors, although they may be direct sown if conditions and timing are suitable. Spring-planted onions are started about 9-12 weeks prior to setting out, which may be several weeks before the last frost date. When setting onion plants in their final location, allow about 6-8 inches from their neighbors, if in beds, or 4 inches, if in rows, spacing rows at least a foot apart. Apply a heavy mulch to control weeds, as onions will not grow large in competition with weeds. Harvest onions when the green tops begin to fall over; cure several weeks and store at cool room temperature.



### AILSA CRAIG #ON122

Long day. Very well-known globe-shaped heirloom onion that reaches a really huge size—5 lbs is rather common! The skin is a pale yellow and the flesh is relatively mild and sweet, so is recommended for fresh use—not a storage type. Introduced in 1887 by David Murray, gardener for the Marquis of Ailsa, at Culzean Castle in Maybole, South Ayrshire, Scotland. Pkt \$3.00



### AUSTRALIAN BROWN #ON101

Intermediate day. Introduced in 1897 by W. Atlee Burpee. This variety produces extra fine large bulbs that have superb flavor! The yellow-brown roots are a standard on our farm for their sureness to produce quality. Pkt \$2.75



### BIANCA DI GIUGNO #ON123 **NEW!**

Here is a later maturing cippolini type onion. The small, flat shape is ideal for pickling and grilling. Cippolini onions are sweeter than most other onions, this is an easy-to-grow variety. Pkt \$2.75



### CRIMSON FOREST-BUNCHING #ON110

(*Allium fistulosum*) Beautiful, brilliant red stalks, flavorful and tasty. Very unique and colorful, a bulbing type. Pkt (250 seeds) \$2.00 or **1 oz \$9.00**



### HE SHI KO-BUNCHING #ON111

(*Allium fistulosum*) An heirloom Japanese, perennial bunching onion. Stalks grow and divide from the base. Mild and tasty. These are an essential ingredient in both Oriental and American foods. A non-bulbing white type. Pkt \$2.00 or **1 oz \$6.50**



### FLAT OF ITALY #ON104

Intermediate day. Beautiful red “cipollini”-type, flat gourmet onion from Italy. They are bright red in color and very flat, perfect for fresh eating or cooking. This is a very old Italian variety that was mentioned by Vilmorin in 1885. A good choice for fresh market. Early. Pkt \$2.50



### RED CREOLE #ON112

Short day. This onion is great for the South and is a good keeper. Hard, flat bulbs have spicy, red flesh. A good cooking onion or in salads. Pkt \$2.50



### RED OF FLORENCE #ON103

Long day. Oblong-shaped, bright red onions, great for planting spring or fall; seem to do well in many areas. They are very mild and sweet, great for salads and pickling! A delicious Italian heirloom. Very rare. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$7.50**





**SOUTHPORT RED GLOBE #ON124**

Long day, 120 days. First released in 1873, and still one of the best. Firm fleshed, medium sized, globe-shaped, deep red roots are one of the best keepers of any red onion. Carries some resistance to fusarium rot. Truly a top-notch producer for the North! Pkt \$2.50



**SOUTHPORT WHITE GLOBE #ON126**

AKA "Silver Ball" and "White Rocca." A long day onion for the Northern States. This onion has a handsome globe-shaped bulb. It grows to a large size with pure white skin and flesh of mild flavor. Seedsman Thomas Griswold once wrote that this was the "best white onion for market," and Southport is still one of the best white keepers available today. This Connecticut heirloom was named after the town of Southport and grown along Connecticut's Mill River. Onions were exported by the millions from this agricultural epicenter also known as the "Onion Capital." The Civil War increased the demand all the more because pickled onions were used to keep scurvy at bay. May be used to produce scallions, requiring only about 65 days. Pkt \$2.50

*"The regenerated do not go to war, nor engage in strife. They are children of peace who have beaten their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning forks, and know no war."*

— Menno Simons



**STUTTGARTER #ON116**

Long day. A tasty old favorite that sets medium-large, yellow onions with a good, pungent flavor. This variety is among the best keepers and produces well. Plant some of these for winter eating and store them clear through to next spring. Pkt \$2.50



**WETHERSFIELD RED #ON127**

Long day. This variety dates to the 1700's. Popular from New York to Bermuda and it brought much wealth to the onion growers of New England, as well as to the Yankee traders who sold ship-loads of it. The 1856 Comstock-Ferre catalog states, "It is the kind mostly grown at Wethersfield. It grows to large size, deep red, thick, approaching to round shape, fine-grained, pleasant flavored, and very productive. It ripens in September, and keeps well." It is a slightly flattened, deep blood-red onion of renowned quality. A true piece of horticultural Americana that deserves to be more widely grown. Pkt \$2.50



**WHITE CREOLE ONION #ON133 NEW!**

Short day, medium-sized, round bulbs have a translucent white flesh that is very firm. This variety is an excellent choice for southern growers; forms perfect bulbs and has excellent storage quality. Excellent fresh or cooked, White Creole is a top choice for dehydrating and has a pungent flavor. Pkt \$2.50



**TROPEANA LUNGA #ON108**

Intermediate day. Long, tall bulbs are unique and popular with Mediterranean chefs. Harvest this gorgeous onion in mid-summer for your own delight, or sell this winner for top prices at market. They are a lovely shade of red. This heirloom from Tropea is rare in America. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$8.00



**YELLOW OF PARMA #ON105**

Long day. Large, golden onions are oblong globe-shaped. This late onion makes an excellent keeper; a rare and hard-to-find Italian variety. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$7.00



**ZEBRUNE SHALLOT #ON129**

(Cuisse de Poulet du Poitou) Gorgeous heirloom French eschalion or "banana" type shallot yields plump, long, torpedo-shaped bulbs. Bulbs are brown tinged with pink. The flesh is very mild and sweet, and large yields may be had starting the first year from an early planting. Excellent keeping quality makes these gourmet shallots useful over a very long season! Pkt \$3.00

# PARSNIP

## SWEET ROOTS IN WINTER

*(Pastinaca sativa)* Northern European relative of the carrot. Parsnip roots are long, white, and after a hard frost or two, mild and sweet. Sow in early spring in most areas, as seed germinates best in cool weather and is slow to germinate even under the best conditions. Traditionally, gardeners would plant the seed rather thickly, just barely covering and sow some radish seeds in the row. The radishes sprout quickly, marking the row's location while the parsnips are germinating; the radishes mature quickly and are pulled, leaving the row to the parsnips, which require the whole season. Plant parsnips in rich and very deeply worked soil and allow plenty of space—8-12 inches apart is ideal. May be stored right in the garden all winter or until the soil freezes. Old-fashioned crop that really deserves to be included in today's gardens.



### HOLLOW CROWN #PR101

Tasty, white, long roots, sweet flavor. Harvest after frost; a standard in all fall gardens. A popular variety in the 1820s. Pkt (600 seeds) \$2.00



### HALF LONG GUERNSEY #PR103

The Guernsey variety was the most popular parsnip of the 19th century. Introduced prior to the 1850's, this variety is medium-long, and has thick shoulders and smooth white skin. Flavorful flesh gets even sweeter after a good frost in autumn. In 1898, Nebraska Seed Company of Omaha said, "As name indicates, not as long as the Hollow Crown. Quality very sweet and delicate". We are glad to bring you this great old treasure. Pkt (400 seeds) \$2.50



### HARRIS MODEL #PR102

Delicious, tender, white, 12" roots have a sweet flavor; refined in appearance. Great boiled, fried, or used in "Parsnip Bread." A good producer and popular variety. Pkt (600 seeds) \$2.00

# GARDEN PEAS



### ALASKA #GP101

50-60 days. Very early, great for short-season areas; good yields of delicious soup peas. An heirloom from 1880. Pkt \$2.50



### BLUE PODDED BLAUWSCHOKKERS

#GP107 A beautiful and ornamental pea that produces lovely purple-blue pods that can be harvested young and used as a snow-pea, or let mature and shell for fine soup peas. This unique type dates back hundreds of years in Europe, and is still popular in parts of Europe and Canada. It also produces lovely purple flowers! Fun to grow and good to eat, the perfect crop for kids and those who like color. Pkt \$2.75



### DESIREE DWARF BLAUWSCHOKKERS

#GP108 Stunning violet-blue pods are produced on lovely little bush plants that do not require staking. The delicious peas are perfect for soups and stews, or the pods can be picked small and these can be used as a snow pea. A great addition from Holland. Pkt (75 seeds) \$3.00

**"All my life I have tried to pluck a thistle and plant a flower wherever the flower would grow in thought and mind." -Abraham Lincoln**

(*Pisum sativum*) Whether grown for green peas, or for edible pods garden peas are all grown the same way. They should be planted in earliest spring or even in late winter, as soon as soil can be worked. They require a very mellow soil, as the roots are shallow and not especially vigorous. Plant about 1" deep. Most types require support—a trellis, fence, etc. (Bush types are really short vines and will support each other when planted fairly close together.) The trick is to get them going early enough to take a crop before late spring weather turns really warm, as heat shuts the plants down. Pick edible podded types frequently, as they are best before the pods become tough. 75-125 seeds per pkt.



**IMPROVED MAESTRO #GP109**

60 days. Heavy crops of 4-to 5-inch pods are produced on plants that seldom reach 3 feet in height, do not require staking. Peas are medium-sized, very sweet, and good for freezing, and the pods often contain up to 12 peas each. Tolerant to a number of common pea diseases. Pkt \$2.50



**KELVEDON WONDER #GP112**

75 days. (also known as First Early) Super-early dwarf variety reaches only about 18" tall, requiring no staking. Highly recommended for successional sowings; also a great variety for container planting or cold-frame growing. Produces heavy crops of sweet, small peas, often eight per pod; typically yields two fat pods per node. Resistant to pea wilt and downy mildew. Pkt \$2.75



**LAXTON'S PROGRESS No. 9 #GP105**

A popular heirloom pea for home gardeners. Large pods are produced on hardy, productive vines with sweet and delicious peas. Pkt \$2.75



**LINCOLN #GP104**

An old-time pea introduced in 1908. High-yielding and tasty, this pea does better than many in warmer weather. The tightly-filled pods are easy to shell, and compact vines are a good choice for small gardens. Pkt \$2.25



**TOM THUMB #GP110**

50-55 days. Tom Thumb is absolutely the best pea variety for container planting! Reaching only 8 to 9 inches in height, it's grown mainly as a shelling type, but the pods are also sweet, tender and delicious when harvested very young. This variety excels when tucked into small spaces around the garden, and for cold frame production very early or very late in the season. This unusual heirloom originated in England and was first introduced in the US by Landreth Seeds, Philadelphia, in 1854. Even more frost tolerant than most other pea varieties, and, naturally, it requires no staking! Pkt \$3.00



**LITTLE MARVEL #GP102**

60 days. Vigorous bush plants, heavy yields, and fine-flavored peas. A great home garden variety. An heirloom from 1908. Pkt \$2.25



**TALL TELEPHONE #GP106**

Long vines reach up to 6 feet with support, and large pods yield 8-10 peas each. The peas are large in size, being sweet and tender. This popular garden favorite was introduced in 1881 and is still a standard with many. Pkt \$2.25 or 1/2 lb \$5.50



**WANDO #GP103**

This pea was introduced in 1943 and is a great pea for the South, being somewhat heat resistant and can be planted later than most peas. Medium-sized peas are great fresh or frozen. Pkt \$2.25

# SNOW & SNAP PEAS

SWEET EDIBLE PODS



## CAROUBY DE MAUSSANE #SN111

65 days. This time-honored variety produces some of the largest pods we've ever seen in snow peas—often reaching 5-6" in length! The robust plants vine to 5 feet. The bicolor flowers, borne in pairs, are pink and burgundy, maturing through purple to nearly sky blue, distinctive and pretty enough to merit a spot in the border. The succulent pods are of robust flavor and vary somewhat from plant to plant, which makes this variety all the more interesting in stir-fries and salads. Originated in Maussane, near Avignon in southern France. Pkt \$2.75



## CORNE DE BELIER #SN109

A delicious French snow pea that pre-dates 1860! Wonderful, gourmet flavored, large, flat pods are perfect for steaming, sauteeing and nibbling on fresh from the patch. A historic variety that is finally available in America. Creamy-white blooms. Pkt \$2.50



## DWARF GREY SUGAR #SN113

60 days. The pods are plump, fleshy and very tender when harvested young. In 1856, the Comstock, Ferre and Co catalog said: "About 3 feet high, and of very strong growth. Pods, long, and slightly curved. Containing mostly seven peas, which show in relief along the pods. They are usually cooked in the pods like snap beans. Of excellent quality, but rather late, and only a moderate bearer." This variety produces 2 to 3 inch pods as well as a bonus of delicious green foliage and lavender red flowers that are pretty and tasty in salads. Pkt \$2.25



## DE GRACE #SN110

A lovely dwarf variety that was grown in America before 1836, and likely much longer ago in Europe. This variety has been extinct to the North American seed trade for more than 20 years, so we are happy to bring back this great pea. The pods are medium sized and sweetly flavored, crisp and tender. The vines produce over a long season and are more frost hardy than many modern varieties. Pkt \$2.75



## GOLDEN SWEET #SN104

More than a novelty, this variety produces flat pods that are a beautiful, bright lemon-yellow, great in stir-fries. Tall 6' vines with purple flowers. Collected from a market in India; rare and tasty. Pkt \$2.75



## GREEN BEAUTY #SN123

60 days. A magnificent purple-flowered snow pea. Medium-green pods are tender even harvested at their full size of 5-8 inches long. Vigorous plants are productive and reach 6-8' tall in ideal conditions. Bred by eminent public-domain plant breeder, Dr. Alan Kapuler PhD. Delicious, tender pods are likely the largest of all! Pkt (50 seeds) \$3.00



## MAGNOLIA BLOSSOM TENDRIL PEA

#SN122 70 days. An innovative hypertendrill snap pea bred by Dr. Alan Kapular PhD. Hypertendrill plants make enlarged tendrils in place of some leaves. The tendrils make for a more open habit, allowing better air flow and reducing diseases. And they are also great to eat! They are wonderful in salads or as a garnish, and they taste just like peas! Sturdy 5-6' plants are very productive. The plants yield deliciously sweet snap peas for weeks. Vigorous 5-8' vines produce bi-color flowers. Flavor peaks just before the string turns red. Pkt (50 seeds) \$3.50



## MAMMOTH MELTING SUGAR #SN102

70 days. Large, sweet-flavored pods; tall, 4' plants. Needs cool weather to give good yields. Pods are tasty stir-fried or in salads. Pick before the peas inside start to get large. An heirloom variety that has been popular for many years. Pkt \$2.50



## OREGON SUGAR POD II #SN105

Large, thick, 4.5" pods are superbly tender and delicious. This is Jere's favorite snow pea-type. Bush plants are high yielding and stay compact. Developed by Dr. James Baggett, of Oregon State Univ. A winner. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/2 lb \$5.50

DELIGHTFUL IN SALADS AND STIR-FRIES



**SUGAR MAGNOLIA TENDRIL PEA #SN120 *New!***

A marvelous innovation in sugar snap pea breeding from Dr. Alan Kapuler, the first ever purple podded sugar snap pea! We love the dusty purple blue pods that really pop in a sea of green foliage. These vigorous vines can reach up to 8 feet tall in the garden and cover a trellis so nicely, the purple blossoms and profuse tendrils make this an incredible edible ornamental-- so dainty! The flavor is perfect, not too sweet, with a great snap! Pkt (50 seeds) \$3.50



**SUGAR ANN #SN107**

An early, edible-pod pea ideal for small gardens. Its short, bushy vines do not need support, and it produces about 10 days earlier than other snap peas. Delicious pods are a joy sauteed, fresh or steamed. An AAS winner from 1984. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/2 lb \$5.50



**SUGAR SNAP #SN106**

This is the wonderfully sweet, edible-pod pea so popular with consumers and gardeners. The delicious, tender pods are great raw (eaten before you ever leave the garden), stir-fried, or in salads. They also freeze very well. An AAS winner from 1979. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/2 lb \$5.00



**SPRING BLUSH TENDRIL PEA #SN121**

70 days. Incredible new blushed green and pink podded snap pea. Flowers are stunning in bi-color purple and white, but the amazing thing about the plants is their hypertendril habit—a new type in pea breeding. Spring Blush throws an occasional green-podded plant, but the flavor, two-toned color scheme and unusual habit are too good to wait any longer! (If you save your own seed, select only plants that have the pink blushed pods). Another superior variety from Alan Kapuler PhD. Pkt (50 seeds) \$3.50

# PEANUTS



## TENNESSEE RED PEANUT #PE102 **NEW!**

A treasured heirloom that has been grown since before 1930, each pod contains from 2-5 red-skinned, mild, sweet kernels. A Valencia type, earlier than the Virginia strains. Superior for roasting or boiling, which is a preferred method of preparing them in the Deep South. Pkt (1 oz in shell) \$3.00



## FASTIGIATA PIN STRIPED PEANUT #JS182

Beautiful striped peanut first collected by the Botanical Explorer, Joe Simcox. Striped peanuts like this are typically found in Ecuador. This stunning variety belongs to a group of peanuts that have very angular, deeply indented pods with high ridge lines. The seeds are often dark colored, orange, or striped as is the case with this variety. They turn darker when dried as shown in second photo. Very tasty, having a clean nutty flavor. Although susceptible to some blights, the variety is easy to grow, preferring loose soils and hot climates. Requires a long season of about 120 days or more. Shipped in the shell to protect tender peanut seeds. **Limited quantities and offered online only!** [www.rareseeds.com](http://www.rareseeds.com)

# HOT PEPPERS

(*Capsicum annuum*, *C. baccatum*, *C. frutescens*) Native to the Americas, peppers come in thousands of varieties, many unusual flavors, and all shapes and sizes. Heirloom peppers are often more flavorful than the modern-types, and most give huge yields. They are one of the easiest crops to grow and are not much bothered by pests. All types of peppers are frost-tender and are usually started indoors several weeks before the last frost date, although they may be direct-seeded in gardens in long-season climates. Set transplants out after warm weather has really settled. Peppers prefer rich and moist soil and full sun, although they will tolerate some shade, and some, especially *C. frutescens*, actually prefer a break from hot summer sun. Most types can be used green or ripe, and hot types tend to become more pungent when fully ripened in hotter conditions. 25 seeds per packet.



## ANAHEIM #HPP103

80 days. Delicious mildly-hot flavor, excellent for roasting or frying; good yields of very large chili peppers. Pkt \$2.50



## BHUT JOLOKIA #HPP171

100-120 days from transplant. Also known as Ghost Pepper, Naga Morich. Legendary variety, one of the world's hottest peppers, with readings in excess of 1,000,000 Scoville units! Bhut Jolokia starts out slow but eventually makes tall plants, exceeding 4 ft in favored locations. The thin-walled, wrinkled, pointed fruits reach 2-3" in length, ripening mostly to red. Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00



## BHUT JOLOKIA, CHOCOLATE #HPP195

95 days. (*Capsicum chinense*) Same malevolent shape and form as Bhut Jolokia, and the heat level is comparably wicked, but this natural variation ripens red-brown to a rich milk chocolate. Considered sweeter than the red Bhut. (This variety has a reputation for being even trickier to germinate than the standard Red Bhut; bottom heat should be considered essential for germination, which may still take weeks.) Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00



## BLACK HUNGARIAN #HPP101

75 days. Unique, black-colored fruit that are the shape of a Jalapeno. They are mildly hot and have a delicious flavor. The tall plants have beautiful purple flowers that make this variety very ornamental. Rare and colorful! Pkt \$2.50 or **1/4 oz \$7.50**



## CARIBBEAN RED HABANERO #HPP133

For those who like it hot! These can be twice as spicy as the common orange habanero, so use caution as you enjoy the incredible warmth and rich, smoky-citrus taste of these lantern-shaped 2" fruit. Very ornamental, as well as perfect for spicing up a pot of chili or making killer hot sauce. A heavy producer, so you will have plenty of extras for farmers market. Pkt \$2.50



## CAYENNE LONG THIN #HPP117

Slender, long peppers turn bright red and are very hot. The 2' plants are vigorous and quite productive. Very popular for drying and using as a spice; also used medicinally. This heirloom has been popular for many years. Pkt \$2.25

*"It is thus with farming, if you do one thing late, you will be late in all your work."*

-CATO THE ELDER

FULL OF FLAVOR, SPICE AND VITAMINS! ENJOY THIS EASY-TO-GROW FRUIT!



**CHINESE FIVE COLOR #HPP121**

Screaming-hot little peppers turn a rainbow of vibrant colors, from purple, cream, yellow, orange to red as they ripen. Need I say ornamental? The plants are great for containers inside. Just pick a few any time to liven up your salsa. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.50



**CHOCOLATE HABANERO #HPP136**

So beautiful! The chocolate-brown, lantern shaped fruit are about 2" long, and so ornamental! But don't let the color fool you; these are not candy, but rather flaming-hot fruit that carry a massive 300,000 Scoville units of heat! Hot pepper enthusiasts love the heat and flavor that these chocolate fruit are packed with, but be careful and use in moderation. Pkt \$2.50



**GOLDEN CAYENNE #HPP183**

70 days. Typical long, slightly twisting cayenne type fruits, sometimes slightly hotter than red cayenne, and also a bit larger at 4-6 inches long. The fruits start out green, ripen to golden-yellow, developing their most intense heat only at full maturity. Compact plants to 2 feet tall. Pkt \$2.50

*"I object to violence because when it appears to do good, the good is only temporary; the evil it does is permanent." -Mahatma Gandhi*

**Blazing hot! 190 TIMES HOTTER THAN A JALAPENO!**



**CAROLINA REAPER #HPP219 NEW!**

120 days. Believed to be the hottest pepper in the world, the Carolina Reaper is a serious scorcher! For those extreme pepper eaters, Carolina Reaper is a must-- for those less adventurous, they make a great conversation piece in the garden. These devious little peppers are fiery red with a little scythe shaped tail at the base of many fruit, hence the name reaper. The heat rating on these monsters can be over 1,500,000 Scovilles, in comparison the spicy habanero is a mere 100,000 Scovilles! Pkt (10 seeds) Pkt \$5.00

**CRAIG'S GRANDE JALAPENO #HPP150**

A big, fat jalapeno that is perfect for making lots of salsa. Perfect for anyone who loves jalapenos. It has thick, flavorful, hot flesh. Developed at Redwood City Seeds. We love this one! Pkt \$2.50 or 1/8 oz \$8.00





**HUNGARIAN HOT WAX #HPP125**

70 days. A Hungarian heirloom that is excellent for short season areas, very popular for canning and pickling. Medium to very hot fruit are light yellow in color; sets fruit over a long season. Pkt \$1.75



**LEUTSCHAUER PAPRIKA #HPP129**

A lovely drying pepper that comes from Matrafured, Hungary. It has been grown there since the 1800's when it was brought from Leutschau (Slovakia). The medium-hot paprikas have great flavor, are terrific for drying, and make a delicious spicy powder. Very rare! Pkt \$2.50



**PASILLA BAJIO #HPP105**

80 days. Mild-sweet-hot, fruit is dark green, turning brown as it ripens. This pepper is used in Mexican "mole" sauces; tasty. Pkt \$2.25



**PIMIENTO DE PADRON #HPP168**

These small-fruited peppers originated in Galicia, northwest Spain, where the bite-sized green fruits are sauteed in olive oil and served with coarse-ground sea salt in tapas bars across the country. Most of the peppers are relatively mild, but an occasional unpredictable hot one led a New York times writer to call eating the dish a game of "Spanish Roulette!" Also fine for pickled peppers; the heat increases as they ripen to red. An authentic regional variety. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.75



**FISH PEPPER #HPP122**

80 days. An African-American heirloom popular in the Philadelphia/Baltimore region. A pre-1947 variety that was used in fish and shellfish cookery. The color of the fruit range from green, orange, brown, white and red, being spicy and hot. What really makes this pepper stand out is its wonderful foliage, as the 2' tall plants have stunning white and green mottled leaves, which makes this variety superb for ornamental and edible landscaping. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.75



**POBLANO #HPP184**

75 days. One of the most popular chilis in Mexico! 3- to 6-inch heart-shaped fruits are usually of gentle heat, at around 2000 scovilles. Used green, after roasting and peeling, it is the classic pepper for chili rellenos. Dried, the fruits turn a rich dark red-brown and may be ground into an authentic red chili powder. Plants reach 2 feet or so and require a long season. Pkt \$2.25



**SCOTCH BONNET YELLOW #HPP161**

Attractive, golden-yellow, squat little peppers with a shocking heat and superb fruit-like flavor. They also have a wonderful, unique aroma. A standard in Caribbean cooking. Wonderful, but very spicy—please use caution. Pkt \$2.50



**SERRANO TAMPEQUINO #HPP102**

75 days. Large plant bears club-shaped fruit; very hot and pungent, distinctive flavor. Pkt \$2.50



**RED SEVEN POT #HPP196 *NEW!***

(*Capsicum chinense*) The name reputedly refers to the peppers' outrageous heat, capable of flavoring seven successive pots of chili! Intense heat (upward of 1,000,000 scovilles) and an accompanying fruitiness, characterize this relative of the Scorpions and the Ghost Pepper (Bhut Jolokia). Fruits ripen to a wrinkled, deep red. The shape sometimes, but not always, shows the infamous scorpion "tail." We believe this to be the prized Barrackpore strain, named for a town of the same name in Trinidad, home to so many super-hot pepper varieties. That makes this the original Seven-pot strain. The shape is quite variable. Pkt (10 seeds) \$4.00



**TABASCO PEPPER #HPP106**

(*C. frutescens*) 90 days. This famous heirloom was introduced into Louisiana in 1848 and became the main ingredient in Tabasco Pepper Sauce. This pepper is very hot and has a delicious flavor. The plants grow up to 4' tall and are covered with small, thin peppers. Needs a warm summer or can be grown as a potted plant. Fruit ripen from green to orange, then red. Pkt \$2.50





**TAM JALAPEÑO #HPP104**

70 days. A very tasty, mild Jalapeno-type, with the same delicious flavor but a lot less heat. Great yields. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/4 oz \$7.00



**THAI RED CHILLI #HPP107**

90 days. The hot heirloom chili from Thailand, these peppers are used in almost every dish in old Siam. Small, pointed fruits are easy to dry and bright red in color. The Thai people love the pungent heat. Ornamental plants are loaded with fruit. Pure Thai seed. Pkt \$2.50



**XANTHI CITY RED #HPP204 NEW!**

80 days. Thin-walled, frying/seasoning type from Xanthi City, in northeastern Greece. Slim peppers ripen from green to medium red, resembling Cayenne type, but more robust. Plants are compact, seldom exceed 30", and very productive. Superb for drying into pepper flakes. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.50



**ZAVORY HABANERO #HPP192** 90 days.

(*C. chinense*) Habanero flavor without all the heat! Mildly spicy, bullet-shaped fruits are full of fruity habanero flavor and fragrance, but with only a gentle mild heat—a tiny 100 scovilles! Fruits reach just over 2-inches in length, ripen to brilliant lipstick red, on super productive plants. This seasoning pepper is ideal for Caribbean-style salsas, or stuffed with cheese and baked. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



**TRINIDAD SCORPION #HPP178**

90 days. Former record holder for heat—nearly the hottest chili on the planet! Wrinkled, lantern-shaped fruits ripen to a searing red-orange. Was named as the world's hottest pepper by the New Mexico Chile Institute, edging out the previous record holder, Bhut Jolokia. Trinidad Scorpion averaged at 1.2 million Scovilles. Who needs pepper spray? Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00



**LEMON DROP #HPP172**

(*C. chinense*) 100 days. Seasoning pepper from Peru ripens to a clear lemon yellow, sometimes with a dark purple blush. The flavor is a very clean, uncomplicated, slightly citrusy heat. 2-foot plants are covered with the thin-walled, conical fruits which reach 2-3 inches in length, with very few seeds. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/4 oz \$9.00

**"If you want to lift yourself up, lift up someone else."**  
-Booker T. Washington



**TRINIDAD SCORPION, MUSTARD #HPP199**

95 days. (*Capsicum chinense*) Another in the infamous Scorpion series, so you know that near lethal heat is included! Heat is only slightly less than the classic Scorpion; flavor is mellow and often described as 'smoky.' This one has an unusual color, olive-green with traces of yellow-brown, somehow reminiscent of aged bronze. The shape is variable, but every fruit is folded, pleated or wrinkled—no two alike! Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00



**TRINIDAD SCORPION, YELLOW #HPP211 NEW!**

95 days. (*Capsicum chinense*) Yellow to orange fruits often bear the infamous scorpion "tail". A natural variant of the classic Trinidad Scorpion but with considerably less heat. Fruits are pleasantly citrusy, but still plenty hot. More productive than other Scorpion types. Pkt (10 seeds) \$4.00



**REZHA MACEDONIAN #HPP197**

80 days. The name means "engraved," another local name, Vezeni Piperki, means "embroidered". Both names refer to the curious lines on the skins of tapering, long, thin peppers. The fruits, which range from mild to sometimes very pungent, are to be seen hanging in great clusters, drying in Macedonian warm late autumn sun. The traditional farmers save seed from the hot fruits which also show the most pronounced striations. Our foundation Seed was donated by schoolchildren from the villages of Kalugeritsa and Zleovo. Pkt \$3.00

# SWEET PEPPERS

GROW A RAINBOW OF SWEET JEWELS!

(*Capsicum annuum*) 25 seeds per packet. Heirloom peppers are often more flavorful than the modern-types, and most give huge yields. They are one of the easiest crops to grow and are not much bothered by pests. All types of peppers are frost-tender and are usually started indoors several weeks before the last frost date, although they may be direct-seeded in gardens in long-season climates. Set transplants out after warm weather has really settled. Peppers prefer rich and moist soil and full sun, although they will tolerate some shade.



## ALBINO BULLNOSE #PP105

Beautiful, blocky 3-4 inch peppers are a lovely cream color. They have a nice mild, sweet flavor and ripen to a beautiful reddish-orange. It produces loads of fruit from early summer until frost on very compact, dwarf plants. It is very popular here at Baker Creek and used in our restaurant. This is one of the first varieties I read about when I first became interested in heirloom seeds. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.00



## AJVARSKI #PP185 **NEW!**

Here's a really outstanding roasting pepper from eastern Macedonia. Two-foot, stocky plants are covered in 6- to 7-inch, broadly wedge-shaped pods that ripen green to deep, rich red. These peppers are incredibly fragrant and tasty. When you throw half a dozen on your grill, everybody in your neighborhood will smell them! These thick-fleshed traditional peppers are roasted on flat metal stoves, peeled, then ground into a traditional relish called ajvar, which is eaten spread on bread, often with sirenje, a local cheese similar to feta. Nearly every rural household puts up a supply of ajvar for winter eating. In autumn, Macedonians flock to the markets in fertile valleys in the east to buy bushels of the best aromatic roasting peppers from the local villages. The original seed was a gift from the students in the villages of Kalugeritsa and Zleovo. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.75



## BANANA #PP183

60 days. We're thrilled to offer this classic, sweet wax pepper that has been grown by generations of gardeners. Sleek, tapered fruits reaching 6-7" long, 2" wide, are a translucent ivory color when immature, ripening quickly to stunning red-orange. Superb pickled or stuffed, in salads, and more. A treasure! Pkt \$2.50



## BULLNOSE #PP124

75 days. The original Bull Nose pepper was popular in early America and was grown by Thomas Jefferson. They are still grown at Monticello today. This is one of the first medium-large "bell"-type peppers, although this strain may be larger than the strain grown by Mr. Jefferson and are more likely dating back to the Bull Nose of mid-to-late 1800s. Delicious good-sized fruit are great in salads or for cooking. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.50



## CALIFORNIA WONDER #PP106

70 days. An excellent green bell pepper; nice size and very good yield; a popular old-time variety. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/4 oz \$7.00



## CANARY BELL #PP191

70 days. Superior sweet pepper, medium-sized, thick-walled green fruits ripening to bright yellow color. Sets early and produces all summer. Superb in salads, and a premier type for grilling. Exceptional flavor, very productive two-foot plants. Resistance to Tobacco Mosaic Virus. Pkt \$2.75



## CHOCOLATE BEAUTY #PP172

70 days. Blocky, medium to large, green, 3-4 lobed fruits ripen to a rich chocolate-brown. The green fruits are good, but they are spectacular when fully ripe--crisp, juicy, and very sweet! Productive enough to make a good variety for market growers, and so early! Pkt \$2.75



## DOUX D'ESPAGNE OR SPANISH MAMMOTH #PP138

This variety was introduced before 1860. In the 1880's, this pepper was shipped to the large markets in Paris from warmer areas like Algeria and Valencia. In the 19th century the 6-7" long fruit

*"Finally, there seem to be but three Ways for a Nation to acquire Wealth. The first is by War as the Romans did in plundering their conquered Neighbours. This is Robbery. The second by Commerce which is generally Cheating. The third by Agriculture the only honest Way; wherein Man receives a real Increase of the Seed thrown into the Ground, in a kind of continual Miracle wrought by the Hand of God in his favour, as a Reward for his innocent Life, and virtuous Industry." -Benjamin Franklin*

were among the largest offered, and popular with cooks. It produces long, cone-shaped peppers that are perfect for frying and salads. They are sweet and flavorful, but hardly ever offered in America. A good-producing pepper that is reported to be disease resistant. Pkt \$2.50



**EMERALD GIANT #PP109**

78 days. Large, blocky bells have thick, sweet flesh. Dark green fruit turn red when ripe. Vigorous plants give heavy yields. A good variety for the South. Developed in 1963. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/4 oz \$7.00



**GOLDEN CAL WONDER #PP108**

78 days. Colorful golden bells that are very sweet and tasty. Gold peppers are superb for fresh eating, great for kitchen or market gardens. The productive plants produce early & are good for the North. Pkt \$2.00



**HABANADA #PP202 NEW!**

The world's first truly heatless habenero! Bred by well known organic plant breeder Michael Mazourek. Habanada is the product of natural breeding techniques. This exceptional snacking pepper has all of the fruity and floral notes of the habanero without any spice (even the seeds are sweet and add to the flavor). These 2-3 inch



**CORBACI #PP157**

80 days. A unique and wonderful sweet pepper. Very long 10-inch fruit are curved and twisted, very slender, like a Turkish scimitar. This rare heirloom from Turkey has a very rich flavor, perfect for pickling or frying. One of the most productive of all peppers, out-yielding all others in tests by the University of CA. Pkt (15 seeds \$2.50) or 1/4 oz \$10.00

tangerine fruits stole the show at the 2014 Culinary Breeding Network Variety Showcase, where the fruits were made into a stunning sherbert. This exotic new pepper is sure to be the darling of the culinary scene, making it an excellent choice for market farmers, chefs and foodies. Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00



**HORIZON BELL #PP187**

73 days. Plants produce excellent yields of brilliant orange-yellow bell peppers. Blocky, four-inch fruits are thick-walled, ripening from medium green to orange-yellow at maturity. Sweet and flavorful gourmet pepper for salads, stuffing and more! Pkt \$2.75



**ITALIAN PEPPERONCINI #PP111**

A popular, thin, little pickling pepper, this heirloom comes from southern Italy. The 3"-5" fruit has a superb flavor and just a little heat. Small plants. Pkt \$2.50

**JIMMY NARDELLO ITALIAN #PP143**

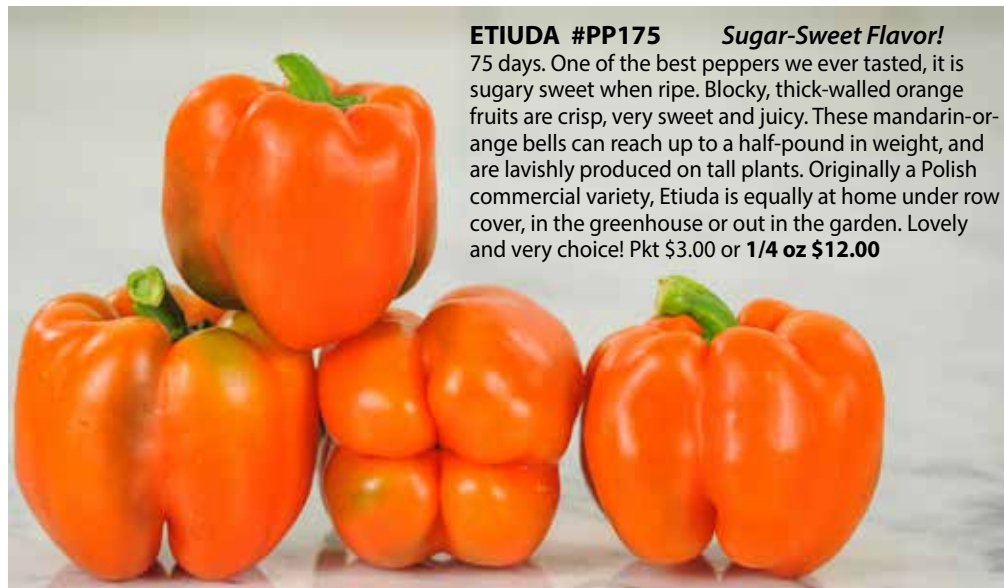
A customer favorite! This fine Italian pepper was grown each year by Giuseppe and Angella Nardiello at their garden in the village of Ruoti, in Southern Italy. In 1887 they set sail with their one-year-old daughter Anna for a new life in the USA. When they reached these shores, they settled and gardened in Naugatuck, Connecticut, and grew this same pepper that was named for their fourth son Jimmy. This long, thin-skinned frying pepper dries easily and has such a rich flavor that this variety has been placed in "The Ark of Taste" by the Slow Food organization. Ripens to a deep red, is very prolific, and does well in most areas. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/4 oz \$7.50



**KING OF THE NORTH #PP131**

68 days. Early, good-sized peppers of a heavy yielding habit. The variety thrives in the cooler summer weather so prevalent in New England, and yields crisp bells, green ripening to red, right up until frost. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/4 oz \$7.50

Red peppers contain lycopene, have twice the Vitamin C and nine times more carotene than green peppers.



**ETIUDA #PP175** *Sugar-Sweet Flavor!*  
75 days. One of the best peppers we ever tasted, it is sugary sweet when ripe. Blocky, thick-walled orange fruits are crisp, very sweet and juicy. These mandarin-orange bells can reach up to a half-pound in weight, and are lavishly produced on tall plants. Originally a Polish commercial variety, Etiuda is equally at home under row cover, in the greenhouse or out in the garden. Lovely and very choice! Pkt \$3.00 or 1/4 oz \$12.00



**LILAC BELL #PP188**  
75 days. Fruits are a stunning medium lilac-purple. Crisp, juicy, and sweet! What a lovely addition to a relish tray! Medium-sized fruits start out yellow-green, ripen to purple, finally to red. Pkt \$2.75



**LIPSTICK #PP151**  
70 days. A delicious pepper with 4" long tapered, pimiento type fruit that are super sweet. This fine pepper is early and ripens well in the North. A flavorful favorite with thick, red flesh. Pkt \$2.50



**MIRA #PP194** *NEW!*  
Super-early Polish variety yield very large, very thick-walled fruits, crisp, sweet and mild. The color is sublime—they start very pale cream, ripening in due course to bright red. The smooth, sleek fruits are bullet-shaped, to almost a perfect wedge, very wide at the shoulder. Compact plants are an especially good container subject. Pkt \$2.75



**RED MINI BELL #PP120**  
60 days. Oh, so cute! Tiny, red bell peppers are only about 1-1/2" tall and wide; they have thick red flesh that is very sweet. 2'-tall plants produce loads of these little winners, and early, too. Great for stuffing. Pkt \$2.75



**MANGANJI #PP201** *NEW!*  
80-90 days. Sure to be a new sensation with chefs and foodies alike. Manganji is recognized as a traditional cultural vegetable in Kyoto, Japan, where it is celebrated as the King of Japanese Chili peppers. Contrary to this distinction, Manganji is actually a sweet pepper! The complex sweet flavor and soft skin makes this a favorite of traditional home cooks as well as high-end chefs. Considered extremely versatile and often the subject of exciting new culinary innovation by some of Kyotos most brilliant culinary masters (Manganji pepper chocolate bars, and candied manganji pepper juice). We are looking forward to seeing this variety on the American culinary scene! Pkt \$2.75



**OZARK GIANT #PP154**  
What a pepper! This variety produces huge, long bell peppers that have delicious, thick flesh. They start out green and turn bright red. Very productive plants and great flavor will make this old Ozarks variety a favorite. Pkt \$2.50



**SHISHITO #PP144**  
A favorite old Japanese variety which produces 3" long, slightly wrinkled fruit that are perfect for making tempura and other traditional recipes. Fruit is emerald green in color; mildly flavored with just a bit of spice. It really is superb. It is the standard with many chefs. Pkt \$2.75



**VIOLET SPARKLE #PP167**

75 days. Pointed, wedge-shaped fruits are purple streaked with pale yellow. We originally received a few seeds of this variety from a Russian seed trader. Ripens red. Very lovely and delicious, sweet, crisp and thick-walled. One of the finest and prettiest peppers we have tried! Pkt \$3.00



**YELLOW MONSTER #PP156**

90 days. Gigantic, behemoth elongated yellow bell peppers can grow 8 inches long by 4 inches wide! These impressive fruits are really sweet, meaty and wonderful, so pretty after they turn from green to bright sunshine-yellow. These are great fresh, fried or roasted, so you will be happy the plants produce plenty of these colossal beauties. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.75



**SWEET CHOCOLATE #PP126**

75 days. I love the flavor of this rich, chocolate-brown pepper. The flesh is cola-red color, very sweet and delicious. The medium-sized semi-bell-shaped fruit ripen very early, making this variety perfect for the North (or anyone who loves early peppers). Great in salads. Pkt \$2.75

# RADICCHIO

*(Chicorium intybus)* These are used like lettuce to make beautiful and tasty salads, and some are good cooked. Most require cool weather and shorter days of autumn to head up and reach their most brilliant coloration, and so are mainly grown as fall crops. We offer quality Italian seed. 250 seeds per packet.



**CASTELFRANCO #RC102**

An improved selection of this beautiful, old Italian heirloom, the round heads are cream-colored and splashed with wine red. This colorful variety is becoming a rage in salads. A high-dollar crop for market growers. Very popular in Italy! Pkt \$2.00



**ROSSA DI TREVISO #RC101**

A famous radicchio from Treviso, Italy. We offer an improved selection. Makes a long, slender bunch of leaves; turns deep brilliant red in cool weather. A must for all colorful and tasty salads! Pkt \$2.00 or 1 oz \$6.00



**WITLOOF DI BRUXELLES #RC108**

We offer a select strain of "Witloof" or Belgian endive. This chicory is planted in the garden in spring, then dug and forced to grow in a cool, dark place, to make the delicious "Chicon heads" that command high prices at market. Very Tasty. Pkt \$1.50

**I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word.**

**-Martin Luther King, Jr.**

# RADISH

*(Raphanus sativus)* Cabbage relatives that come originally from Asia. Radishes are at their best in cooler weather, but will take more heat than most cabbage relatives. Salad-types are quick to mature, often in 28-35 days, and should be succession planted every 2-3 weeks from early spring well into fall to keep a continual harvest. Winter or storage types take longer (60-75 days) and should be planted in mid to late summer for harvest in the fall. These are used and stored similar to the more familiar turnip. All types are grown in ordinary garden soil, worked deeply enough to accommodate whatever roots are expected. (Daikon types may grow a foot or more in length!) Adequate moisture, correct thinning and weed control are all that's required to grow this easy crop! 200-500 seeds per Pkt.



## CHINA ROSE #RD104

One of the oldest types of radish. A very hardy fall/winter variety. Roots are about 5" long and a rose color. Pkt \$2.50



## CANDELA DI FUOCO #RD134

35 days. (Candle of Fire) Similar to Long Scarlet and several historic varieties that have appeared over the years, but this one is an imported Italian strain. Intensely ruby-red tapered roots with consistently firm and mild white flesh. Roots can reach 10 inches in length! This variety can be crowded quite closely in the bed or row, as the roots are so slim. Pkt \$2.50



## EARLY SCARLET GLOBE #RD111

22 days. The classic round red radish. Crisp white flesh is mild and tasty. Has better warm weather tolerance than many. Pkt \$1.75 or **1 oz \$5.00**



## CHINESE RED MEAT #RD114

The colorful "Beauty Heart" radish of historic China has 4" round roots with white-and-green skin, but the magic is in their rose-red center, which is so sweet, crisp, and delicious. A good radish to add color to salads and stir-fries; must be grown in cool weather and does best when fall planted. Sometimes called "Watermelon Radish" at market. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.75



## CHINESE GREEN LUOBO (QINGLUOBO) #RD119

A popular radish from northern China, the tasty flesh is bright green! Very unique and colorful, they are shaped like Daikons. These only grow well in cool weather; great for fall planting. An old Chinese standard. Rare. Delicious fresh or fried. Pkt \$2.25



## DE 18 JOURS #RD138

18 days. Old French variety gives unbelievably rapid yields! The name translates as "of eighteen days," and this radish will yield roots in 18 days, under ideal conditions! Round to cylindrical roots are red with white tips; flesh is crisp and juicy. A French breakfast type, often grown under glass for off-season production. Pkt \$2.00



## FRENCH BREAKFAST #RD108

A pre-1885 French heirloom; mild, spicy flavor with a red top and a white bottom. An attractive gourmet variety. Pkt \$2.00 or **1 oz \$5.00**



**GIANT OF SICILY #RD118**

Large, 2", round, summer radishes are bright red in color, with great taste and good quality. We offer pure Italian seed for this heirloom from Sicily. Pkt \$2.00 or **1 oz \$5.00**



**JAPANESE MINOWASE DAIKON #RD112**

Popular old Japanese favorite, the giant white roots grow to 24" long and 3" wide. Sweet and very crisp, this radish is a delight pickled, stir-fried, steamed, or raw. Pkt \$2.00 or **1 oz \$5.00**



**MALAGA #RD142**

35 days. Round roots are a very unusual color--deep plum purple/violet, so pretty in contrast with the snow-white flesh! Mild roots stay firm and crisp over a long season. We are very excited to offer this choice Polish variety. Pkt \$2.50



**PINK BEAUTY #RD109**

29 days. A beautiful, round, pink radish that has become hard to find. It is sweet and tasty. Popular at specialty markets; a must for all radish growers! Wonderful and unique. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$5.00**



**PURPLE PLUM #RD122**

28 days. Here is one lovely radish, with its bright purple skin that makes this one of the most colorful varieties for marketing. 1½" globes have sweet, crisp, white flesh which does not get pithy. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$5.00**



**RAT'S TAIL, SINGARA RADISH #RD150**

Amazing bean-like pods! A delicacy in India, this radish does not produce an edible root, but a delicious, bean-like seed pod. The rat's tail radish caused a sensation when introduced to the 1866 International Horticultural Expedition in London; wild claims of pods that can grow 3 inches a day and up to four feet in length astounded visitors, when discovered that the pods grow to just a few inches long, the rat's tail radish's 15 minutes of fame was mostly over. We are proud to introduce a truly unique rat's tail variety from India that may be able to live up to the wild legend. These pods grew to over 14 inches in length at our Missouri trial gardens this year! Perfect for beginner or market gardeners; very heat tolerant and an extremely generous producer. Pkt \$2.75



**ROUND BLACK SPANISH #RD101**

(Noir Gros Rond D'hiver) Large 5" winter type, probably grown since the 16th century or before. Deep, near-black skin and snowy-white flesh; will keep all winter in good conditions. Fine, fairly hot flavor; good raw or cooked. Pkt \$2.25



**SAKURAJIMA GIANT RADISH #RD155**

No other vegetable stirred my childhood imaginations like the "Giant Radish" of Japan. It was grown on the Island of Sakurajima since around 1800, and is still famous in South Japan for its fine flavor and mammoth size. Some specimens have reached 100 lbs! But it commonly grows to 15 pounds in its native land. It is started around the first of September and harvested in mid-winter. Fine texture and size make this the "King of Daikons". Pkt (100 seeds) \$3.50



**SAXA 2 #RD130**

Popular European radish that matures in just 18 days; wow, they are quick! The earliest radish we have grown. Bright red, smooth, round, perfect globes are crisp and delicious. Pretty and productive. Ready when tops are just 4" tall! Pkt \$2.50



**WHITE HAILSTONE #RD106**

An early, old-time, white spring radish, this one is superb! Simply the best tasting radish we have tried, and many of our customers agree. Very mild and crisp. Pkt \$1.75



**ZLATA #RD146**

30 days. The name means "gold" in Czech, and the silky, russeted yellow roots look like orbs of pale gold. This variety is fairly spicy--Europeans love it! It resists splitting and bolting; excellent bunching type, and the young leaves are especially nice for greens. Pkt \$2.50

# RHUBARB

(*Rheum rhabarbarum*) Central Asian native that has been grown in Europe for centuries, for medicinal and food use. It is at its best in cooler summers with cold winters but can be grown in warmer climates with some afternoon shade. Seeds are started indoors or outside in a nursery bed, and transplanted to their final location. Mature rhubarb plants are quite large, so space them at least 2 feet apart. Requires rich soil and ample moisture. Harvest the succulent stalks starting the second year. 25 seeds per packet.



## VICTORIAN #RH101

(Perennial) This variety was offered in 1856. Thick stalks are popular for making delicious pies, cobblers and preserves. This variety can be harvested starting as soon as the second season. Rhubarb is very popular in Canada and the northern U.S. Do not eat the leaves as they contain poisonous oxalic acid. Pkt \$2.75



## GLASKIN'S PERPETUAL #RH103

This English heirloom has for generations enjoyed a well-deserved place in American gardens. The thick stalks are bitter-free, deep red at the base and shading to green toward the leaf. Started indoors very early, a light harvest is possible the first year with heavy yields each year thereafter. Hardy throughout the continental US but prefers areas with cooler summer weather. Pkt \$2.75

# RUTABAGAS

THE TASTIEST ROOT CROP!

(*Brassica napus*) 90-120 days. Cabbage relative grown for its roots, which are similar to turnips but larger, sweeter and milder. Requires a longer season but can tolerate cool temperatures as it matures. It is at its best harvested in late autumn. Sow about 90 days prior to expected fall frost in rich, deeply worked soil of average fertility. Thin to about 8-12 inches apart; control weeds and keep moist. The leaves of some varieties make passable greens when harvested young. 400 seeds per packet.



## AMERICAN PURPLE TOP #RT101

Very tasty, mild, and sweet; great cooked or raw. Bright yellow flesh; top quality. A pre-1920 heirloom, a great fall vegetable. Pkt \$2.50



## CHAMPION PURPLE TOP #RT109

(AKA Best of All) 80 days. Large, smooth roots are pale ivory with purple tops. The yellow flesh is fine-textured, mild, sweet and very tasty. Widely available in Europe, where its excellence is recognized, but rare in this country, and deserving of greater appreciation here. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



## LAURENTIAN #RT102

An improved "Purple Top" rutabaga, its delicious yellow roots are great fried or baked; sweet, and so tasty. Very uniform and makes a good market type. Pkt \$1.75 or 1 oz \$4.00

# ROSELLE

(*Hibiscus sabdariffa*) 15 seeds per Pkt.

## RED ROSELLE #RS101

A super plant for making cranberry-flavored bright red beverages, jelly, pie, and tea. Much is grown in Asia, tropical America and the Mideast, as the flavor is wonderful. A tasty sauce can be made by boiling and sweetening the fleshy calyxes. The leaves are also used to make a drink. The plant is red and very beautiful. Start very early indoors, unless you live in the far South. Citrus-flavored flowers are delicious on frozen desserts. This plant has too many uses to name here. Pkt \$3.00





# SALSIFY

(*Tragopogon porrifolius*) A European favorite known in Roman times and cultivated since at least the 13th century. Sow ½" deep in very early spring, keeping moist until seedlings emerge. Needs at least 6" spacing, full sun, and only ordinary garden soil, but this must be finely worked and free from rocks to produce straight roots. Lift and store mature roots in autumn. If left until the second spring, young shoots may be harvested and used like asparagus. It eventually forms attractive purple blooms on 3-foot stems.



## SALSIFY MAMMOTH SANDWICH ISLAND

**#SF101** Heirloom, native of Europe. Tasty in soups and stews, or cooked alone. Plant in spring, dig in fall; a non-sweet parsnip-like root. This variety dates back to the 1800s. Young plants look like grass. Pkt (125 seeds) \$2.00



## SCORZONERA DUPLEX RUSSIAN GIANT

**#SF103** *New!* A popular European variety that has flavorful black roots that are extra long. Much like salsify, but Scorzonera has dark roots. This old-fashioned vegetable is great harvested in the fall after frost. A favorite variety with chefs. These have a delicious sweet taste. Pkt (125 seeds) \$2.50

*'It isn't enough to talk about peace. One must believe in it. And it isn't enough to believe in it. One must work at it.'*

—Eleanor Roosevelt

*"Agriculture is our wisest pursuit, because it will in the end contribute most to real wealth, good morals, and happiness."* —Thomas Jefferson

# SORGHUM



(*Sorghum bicolor*) Sorghum is one of Africa's greatest contributions to the world's agricultural diversity and is a traditional crop in the South. Adaptable and drought tolerant, sorghum varieties exist that provide grain, sweet syrup, animal fodder, or sometimes even more than one use from a single planting! The main requirement for sorghum is heat. Plant the seeds about ½" deep a couple of weeks after spring frosts are over and soil is really warm. Ordinary garden soil and moisture are sufficient to get a crop, although sorghum may be more productive under better conditions. Seeds are ripe at about the same time as the sugar content of the stalks reaches its maximum. 50 seeds per pkt.

## BLACK AMBER #SR107

100 days. One of the oldest cane sorghums still on the market, named for its shiny black seeds. The 6-8 foot stalks make a delicious golden sorghum syrup. We are happy to offer this sorghum that was a standard in early America and is still used today. Pkt \$3.00

## BROOM CORN MULTI-COLORED #SR102

The multi-colored tassels are so popular for fall decorations. Colors include red, gold, burgundy, black, bronze, and more! Broom Corn can also be used to make brooms. Pkt \$3.00

## MENNONITE #SR104

A Mennonite heirloom from Missouri. The tall canes are juiced and boiled to make a very sweet, light, sorghum syrup, excellent on pancakes. This variety gives good yields and also produces lots of grain. Pkt \$3.00

## SUGAR DRIP #SR108

Big 10-12-foot tall plants produce large heads with edible red seeds. This old variety receives its name from the sweet juice that is in the stalk of each plant; this juice was boiled down in many rural areas of the Southeastern United States to make the famous sorghum syrup that was a staple on the morning's pancakes and cornbread. This strain has now become very rare. Pkt \$3.00

## WHITE AFRICAN #SR109

Introduced to the USA in 1857 by Leonard Wray from Natal, South Africa, under the name Enyama, it was later named White Mammoth and then White African. This variety produces 10' tall stalks that make great, sweet syrup that is perfect for hot waffles and pancakes. White seeds can be used to grind for flour. Pkt \$3.00

# SPINACH

(*Spinacia oleracea*) True spinach is very cold tolerant, one of the first crops planted at winter's end as well as one of the last in early fall. In zone 6 and above, it's possible to harvest at least a few leaves occasionally all winter long, and farther north, it may be possible with row cover or high tunnels. We list some warm weather spinach substitutes here as well, and these are quite the opposite: they yield abundant greens in summer's heat, when growing true spinach would be out of the question. Spinach, whether true or warm-season substitutes, requires lots of nitrogen and water. 250 seeds per packet



## AMSTERDAM PRICKLY SEEDED #SP108

Traditional crop in Europe for generations. This type was grown by Thos. Jefferson in the early Nineteenth Century. In 1806, Bernard McMahon of Philadelphia said it was "the hardiest kind," and that may well be true to this day. Leaves are more pointed and arrow-shaped than the common type. The sturdy plants yield over a long season, producing flat, tender, medium-green leaves with red-tinged stalks. Slower to bolt than ordinary spinach. Traditionally sown in late-summer or early fall for harvest through autumn and into winter. Pkt \$2.50



## BLOOMSDALE LONG STANDING #SP101

50 days. The old standard since 1925, does better in hot weather than most. Glossy, deep green, delicious leaves. So popular with fine chefs. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$4.00

## EASY TO GROW

## WINTER HARDY

## VITAMIN RICH



### **GALILEE #SP109** *NEW!*

35 days. Galilee is one of the most heat tolerant spinach varieties available. A true spinach hailing from Israel, plants resist bolting and retain a sweet mild flavor. Leaves are triangular with pointed tips and a dark green color that indicates high nutrient levels. Fabulous flavor eaten raw or cooked harvested for both baby spinach or large leaves. Pkt \$3.00



### **GIANT NOBLE #SP103**

This is the giant of the spinach clan. Plants spread to 25"! Tender leaves are great for canning, steaming, or salads; for those who want quantity and quality. Introduced in 1926. Pkt \$2.00



### **GIGANTE D'INVERNO #SP106**

This European heirloom produces large, broad, deep green leaves well into the fall and winter months in many areas. This flavorful variety comes to us from Italy. The English name is Giant of Winter. Pkt \$2.00



### **MONSTRUEUX DE VIROFLAY #SP104**

50 days. Big leaves to 10" long, smooth and deep green in color. Very fast growing plants are popular for fall planting. A gourmet French heirloom that was developed prior to 1866. Pkt \$2.25



### **NEW ZEALAND SPINACH #SP102**

(*Tetragonia tetragonioides*) 60 days. Not the same species as common spinach, this variety takes the heat and keeps producing all summer. Tasty. Was listed by Fearing Burr in 1863 in his book *Field and Garden Vegetables of America*. Not frost hardy. Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.50



### **RED MALABAR SPINACH #SP107**

70 days. This beautiful plant is not a true spinach but a different species (*Basella rubra*). This heat-loving Asian vine has lovely red stems and delicious, succulent leaves that are great in salads and stir-fries. A delicious green that can be grown as an annual in many areas or as a perennial in sub-tropical areas. Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.50



### **MERLO NERO #SP105**

A fine-flavored Italian spinach that has dark-green, savoyed leaves. This productive variety is fairly early. Rare in the USA. Pkt \$2.50



### **STRAWBERRY SPINACH #GR107** (*Chenopodium capitatum*)

An old-fashioned plant that dates back to 1600 in Europe. This curious plant produces greens that are picked and cooked like spinach, but it also produces attractive, mildly-sweet red berries. These add a nice touch to fruit salads. Easy-to-grow plants are similar to "Lamb's Quarters", a wild relative. Found in a monastery garden. Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.50

# SUMMER SQUASH

FRESH SQUASH IN 50 DAYS!

Many of these are also used for winter too! The species is *C. pepo* on all squash listed here, unless otherwise noted. Minimum 20 seeds per packet. Summer Squash are grown for immature fruits which can be harvested all summer long.



## **BENNINGS GREEN TINT SCALLOP**

**#SSQ109** 50 days. Colorful, light green, scallop-shaped fruit; tender and good quality; excellent yields, easy to grow. We have grown this variety for many years, in fact it was the first squash Jere ever grew at age 3! Scalloped "patty pan" varieties have a long history of being grown on the East Coast of America by Native Americans and in Europe tracing back to the 16th century. Benning's Green Tint Scallop was developed by Charles N. Farr, who selected for its uniform scallop shaped fruit and a "greenish cream" color at the early stages of fruiting. The variety was introduced in 1914. Pkt \$2.50



## **CASERTA #SSQ138**

60 days. All America Selections winner in 1949. Here's an early bush cocozelle type, popular in Italy where they favor a rich, full-flavored zucchini. Fruits slightly club-shaped with mottled striping in olive-green and darker green. Can reach a fairly large size and still be quite tender and delicious as a summer squash. Pkt \$2.25



## **COCOZELLA DI NAPOLI #SSQ121**

55 days. Long, slender fruit, ribbed, pale greenish-yellow, striped with dark green; very firm and flavorful flesh. A unique Italian heirloom; tasty. Pkt \$2.50



## **CROOKNECK, EARLY GOLDEN SUMMER**

**#SSQ116** 50 days. An old favorite heirloom, this is one of the oldest types of squash dating back to pre-Columbus times, and it has been popular ever since. Easy to grow and good tasting. Pkt \$2.25 or **1 oz \$5.50**



## **EARLY PROLIFIC STRAIGHTNECK**

**#SSQ115** 50 days. AAS Winner from 1938, uniform lemon-yellow, club-shaped fruit; firm flesh is of excellent quality, tasty. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$4.75**



## **LEMON SQUASH #SSQ102**

The shape, size and color of a lemon, it grows great here, has huge yields and the best resistance to insects I have seen in a summer squash. Very tasty, great fried! A favorite, this is a superb market variety and is very attractive. Our most popular summer squash. Pkt \$2.75 or **1 oz \$10.00**



## **COSTATA ROMANESCO #SSQ122**

The famous Italian/Roman ribbed zucchini. The distinctive, long fruit are ribbed; medium green-striped skin; rich and very flavorful. The cut slices are lightly scalloped. It is also popular to fry this squash whole, when it is small with the flower still attached. Pkt \$2.50



## **LEBANESE WHITE BUSH MARROW**

**#SSQ112** 50 days. Creamy, oblong fruits; tasty and mild, good fried or baked. Harvest when 7" long. Rare Lebanese variety. Early. Pkt \$2.00



## **PATISSON GOLDEN MARBRE SCALLOP**

**#SSQ104** A unique French scallop squash. Fruit is a beautiful bright golden-orange color. Young fruit are very tender and well flavored! Also makes good winter squash. Tall bush plants are very attractive and yields are good. A favorite of mine. Pkt \$2.50



## **RONDE DE NICE #SSQ111**

50 days. This is a delicious French heirloom variety. The flesh of this round, green zucchini is very tender and fine-flavored, making it an ideal squash for stuffing. A popular variety for home gardens and specialty growers. Vigorous, quick-growing plants. Pkt \$2.00

## AN EASY-TO-GROW NATIVE AMERICAN CROP

### YELLOW SCALLOP or Golden Custard #SSQ108

Beautiful, bright yellow fruit with a rich, mellow flavor. Likely predates Columbian times; a rare native American squash. Bush plants with good yields. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$4.75**



### GELBER ENGLISCHER CUSTARD #SSQ136 **Staff Favorite!**

Clear, lemon-yellow fruits ripen to a nice orange, and are a patty-pan type, but with a bizarre twist. Fruits are oddly flattened—impossible to describe. Productive bush plants yield over a long season if kept picked. Recommended for cooler climates like the Pacific Northwest. This unique variety originated in Gatersleben, Germany. Young fruit have incredible flavor! Much better than most zucchini! Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.75



### RUGOSA FRIULANA #SSQ137

Common in northeastern Italy, and nearly the only variety seen in the Venetian shops and markets. The name means “wrinkled of Friuli,” but the light yellow fruits are beyond wrinkled, being fantastically warted even when very young. Rich and full flavored, as Italian varieties usually are. Pkt \$3.00



### TATUME #SSQ127

A must in Mexican cuisine, and also popular in certain parts of Texas. This old heirloom is picked small and used like zucchini, but these are so much better than standard supermarket zucchini! Round to slightly elongated, flavorful fruit are green in color; vigorous vining plants are fairly resistant to disease. Pkt \$2.50



### WHITE SCALLOP #SSQ107

50 days. A very ancient Native American heirloom squash, grown by the Northern Indians for hundreds of years. This type was depicted by Europeans back to 1591, and is one of the best-tasting and highest-yielding varieties still around today! Great fried or baked. Flat fruit with scalloped edges --beautiful! Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$4.75**



### ZUCCHINI, BLACK BEAUTY #SSQ120

50 days. The classic dark-green summer squash that has made modern zucchini of this type popular. Introduced in the US markets in the 1920's, and seed companies started listing it in the 1930's. Delicious fried or baked; best picked young. Pkt \$2.25 or **1 oz \$4.75**



### ZUCCHINI, FORDHOOK #SSQ139

57 days. Classic, cylindrical, dark-green straight to slightly curved zucchini. Tender, creamy-white flesh freezes well. Vigorous and productive bush plants. Pkt \$2.50



**ZUCCHINI, GRAY #SSQ114**

49 days. Great-tasting, high-quality, gray zucchini squash. Yields are very good; flesh is firm, mild, and very tasty. We have been getting favorable reports from customers about this squash. A real favorite. Pkt \$2.00 or **1 oz \$4.75**



**PATISSON STRIE MELANGE #SSQ134**

We are so excited to finally list this incredible mix of French scallops. This mix contains fruit in many colors, with many being striped and warted! One of the most ornamental varieties we have seen. Fruit are good picked young and cooked, or used when hard for decorations. Add lots of style to your summer and fall displays. Pkt \$3.00



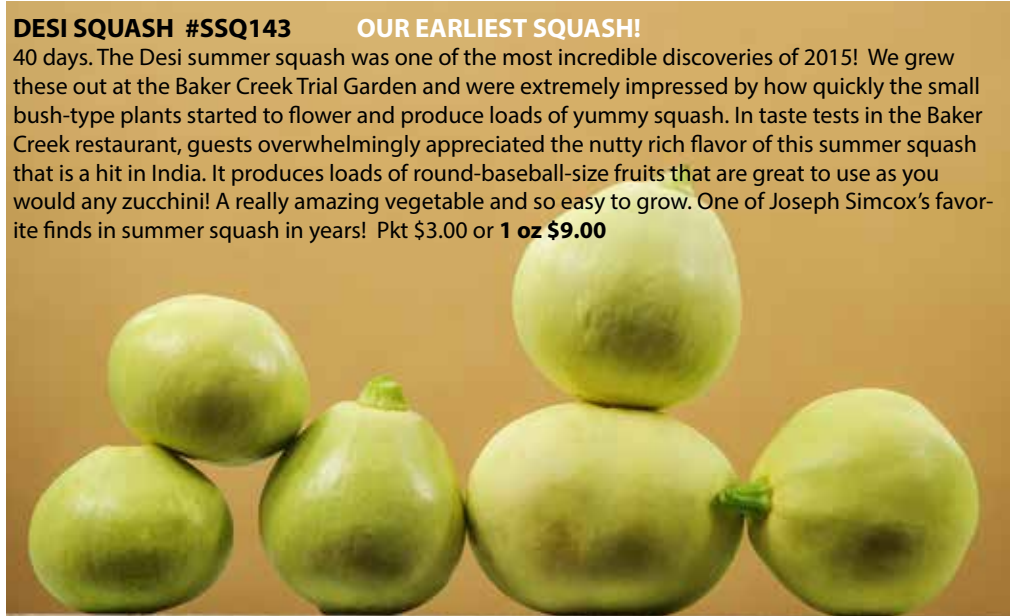
**ZUCCHINI, GREEN BUSH #SSQ141**

(C. pepo) A classic deep-green fruited zucchini that yields abundantly and tastes delicious. Bush plants are great for smaller gardens. Pkt \$2.25



**ZUCCHINO RAMPICANTE #SSQ103**

(C. moschata) 70 days. The famous Italian heirloom vining zucchini and pumpkin; long slender 15-inch fruit have a flat bulb at the bottom. They are one of the best eating summer squash: very tender, mild and sweet tasting. The flavor is superb! This squash is also great as winter squash. The Italians use it for stuffing in gnocchi and ravioli; the flesh is rich and flavorful, great for baking and pies! The vines produce good yields of this great all-purpose squash. The mature fruit grow very long. This one is in very high demand at specialty markets. Pkt \$3.00



**DESI SQUASH #SSQ143      OUR EARLIEST SQUASH!**

40 days. The Desi summer squash was one of the most incredible discoveries of 2015! We grew these out at the Baker Creek Trial Garden and were extremely impressed by how quickly the small bush-type plants started to flower and produce loads of yummy squash. In taste tests in the Baker Creek restaurant, guests overwhelmingly appreciated the nutty rich flavor of this summer squash that is a hit in India. It produces loads of round-baseball-size fruits that are great to use as you would any zucchini! A really amazing vegetable and so easy to grow. One of Joseph Simcox's favorite finds in summer squash in years! Pkt \$3.00 or **1 oz \$9.00**



**ZUCCHINI, NIMBA #SSQ117**

58 days. This early and hardy zucchini comes from Poland; nice medium-green color. Great for cool, short-season areas and anyone who wants early squash. Tasty fried. Great yields. Pkt \$2.75



**ZUCCHINI, GOLDEN #SSQ118**

Slender fruits are bright golden-yellow. They are as delicious as they are attractive; bush plants. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$4.75**

# SQUASH & PUMPKINS

FOR YEAR-ROUND GOOD EATING!

20-35 seeds per packet. Harvest in autumn when skins are too tough to be easily punctured with a thumbnail. Plant in spring or early summer; harvest in fall before a hard frost. Many types will store in cool, dry conditions for up to 1 year. Grow these for a wonderful year round healthy, food supply.



**ATLANTIC GIANT PUMPKIN #SQ179**  
(*C. maxima*) 110-125 days. Lovely, giant, pink-or-ange pumpkins can weigh over 800 lbs, and do so every year, with some select strains reaching over 2000 lbs! This variety was introduced by Howard Dill, of Nova Scotia in 1978, and has since broken all records. Pkt \$4.50



**BIG MAX #SQ123**  
(*C. maxima*) 110 days. Huge pumpkins can grow well over 100 lbs! Nearly round, bright orange fruit are stunning and are good for pies and canning. Very thick, orange flesh. Good for county fairs and displays. Anna Peach of [www.squashandawe.com](http://www.squashandawe.com) is holding medium-sized specimen. Pkt \$2.50



**BLUE HUBBARD #SQ180**  
(*C. maxima*) 110 days. Huge, teardrop-shaped fruit weigh 15-40 lbs and have sweet, fine-grained, golden flesh. Great for baking, pies, and soups. The hard, blue-gray shell helps these keep for long periods in storage. Gregory Seed Company introduced this fine New England variety in 1909, and Mr. Gregory considered this his best introduction. Pkt \$2.25



**BLUE HOKKAIDO or BLUE KURI #SQ290**  
(*C. maxima*) 95-110 days. A lovely little Kabocha type squash, this one weighs 2 to 3 lbs, and it maxes out at about 8 inches in diameter—perfect for individual servings. The fruits are blue-green to gray, flattened, lightly ribbed globes. Dryish flesh is yellow-orange, thick, dense and very sweet. This Japanese variety is a superior storage type as well, and great for marketing! Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



**BUTTERCUP #SQ110**  
(*C. maxima*) 95 days. Very sweet, dry flesh of excellent quality. Deep orange flesh with green skin. Fruit are around 3 lbs each. Pkt. \$2.50

**BUTTERCUP, BUSH #SQ168**  
(*C. maxima*) 95 days. Like standard Buttercup squash, with sweet, dry, orange flesh of excellent quality, but these are produced on 3'-4' bush plants that stay compact; excellent for small gardens. Green-skinned 3-to 4-lb fruit. Pkt \$2.50



**VICTOR or RED WARTY THING #SQ228**  
(*C. maxima*) One of the most stunning squashes around! The big glowing, oblong globes are a glowing, brilliant orange-red and covered with fantastic bumps! This old variety was introduced by James J.H. Gregory of Marblehead, MA in 1897 as Victor. It was recently reintroduced as Red Warty Thing. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.50



**BOSTON MARROW #SQ221**  
(*C. maxima*) Lovely 15 lb fruit are hubbard-shaped and a brilliant red-orange in color. This variety was first documented back to 1831 by Fearing Burr, the author of *Field & Garden Vegetables of America*. This variety was first mentioned being grown by Mr. J.M. Ives of Salem, MA. Mr. Ives had received seeds from a friend in Northampton, MA, who had obtained his seeds from a friend in Buffalo, NY. This variety came to be grown in the Buffalo area after a tribe of Native Americans traveled through the area and distributed seed. From this historic introduction, Boston Marrow soon became one of the most important commercial squashes for 150 years. As the 21st century approached, nearly every seed company had dropped this unique treasure. In 1881 D.M. Ferry's catalog said, "Very dry, fine-grained, and for sweetness and excellence, unsurpassed; a very popular variety in the Boston market". It has rich, orange flesh that won it a place in Slow Foods' "Ark of Taste" for having superior flavor and taste! Pkt \$2.75 or 1 oz \$8.00



**BUTTERNUT-WALTHAM #SQ112**

(C. moschata) 100 days. An old favorite. Good yields with excellent-tasting, rich, orange-colored flesh. Great baked! Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$5.50**



**BUTTERNUT- ROGOSA VIOLINA "GIOIA" #SQ153**

(C. moschata) 100 days. An Italian Butternut-type squash, these have a violin shape and wrinkled tan skin. The flesh is deep orange and sweet, perfect for desserts, roasting, stuffing and baking. WONDERFUL! Pkt \$2.75



**CANDY ROASTER—NORTH GEORGIA #SQ240**

(C. maxima) Here is a smaller strain of Candy Roaster from northern Georgia. This type of squash is famous among the people of the Southeast. Pink, banana-shaped fruits have a blue tip and weigh around 10 lbs. Delicious, smooth orange flesh is perfect baked, fried and makes great pies; hard to find and quite beautiful. Pkt \$3.00



**FUTSU KUROKAWA #SQ311 *NEW!***

A very ancient Japanese variety, this dusty green moschata is no longer popular in Japan. We are excited to offer this piece of ancient Japanese culinary heritage! The fruits are ribbed and almost black (kurokawa means black in Japanese) and almost perfectly round. Try this incredible ancient squash in soups, pies and more! Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00



**CONNECTICUT FIELD #SQ129**

(C. pepo) 100 days. The heirloom pumpkin of the New England settlers and Indians, several hundred years old. Golden fruit weigh about 20 lbs each. This is a truly old variety; can be used for pies; the traditional American pumpkin. Pkt \$2.50 or **1oz \$5.50**



**DELICATA #SQ111**

(C. pepo) 100 days. High sugar content. Fruits are 1-3 lbs each, and skin color is rust-white with green stripes. Delicate sweet flavor. This old heirloom was introduced in 1894 by Peter Henderson and Co. Pkt \$2.00



**GALEUX D'EYSINES #SQ156**

(C. maxima) 95-100 days. Possibly our most beautiful heirloom squash. This flattened, round, 10-15 lb fruit has gorgeous, salmon/peach-colored skin covered with large warts! The deep orange flesh is flavorful, smooth and sweet, making it good for baking. It's also popular among the French for making soup. This is one of the tastiest squash I have tried, and we are delighted to offer this French heirloom. Pkt \$3.00 or **1 oz \$8.00**

**FLAT WHITE BOER #SQ207**

Attractive, very flat, pure white pumpkins that are unique and tasty. Very sweet orange flesh is perfect for pies and baking. A wonderful decorating and eating variety that was historically popular in South Africa and was named for the Dutch Boers who were once the colonial power. We are glad to finally have seeds for this rare treasure. Fruits can grow to 30 lbs. Pkt \$3.00 or 1 oz \$8.00





**GREEN STRIPED CUSHAW #SQ163**

(C. mixta) 95 days. Big, white fruit with small, green stripes; oblong with crooked necks and bulbous bottoms. The large vines are vigorous and are good for the South. A Native American squash that has an ancient history. Great for fall pumpkin sales. Pkt \$2.25



**HONEY BOAT DELICATA #SQ159**

(C. pepo) 105 days. One of the sweetest squash varieties in existence. Oblong, Delicata-shaped squash have tan skin with green stripes. Excellent quality and produces early. Developed by Dr. James Baggett, Oregon State University. Pkt \$2.50



**IRAN #SQ268**

(C. maxima) One of the most unusual and beautiful squashes you will ever see! We have been trying for several years to get this variety into the catalog. Collected in 1940 in the northeastern Iranian city of Torbat-e-Heydariyeh, and preserved at the USDA seed bank ever since. Not known to the public until a few years ago, when our friend Glenn Downs introduced it. This squash is super ornamental, with its unique, foam-green rind that's mottled in soft peachy orange. Round and slightly ribbed fruit are medium to large in size. It keeps for a year or more, and is perfect for fall decorating. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.75

*"A good end cannot sanctify evil Means; nor must we ever do evil, that good may come of it."*  
-WILLIAM PENN



**HOPI PALE GREY #SQ202**

Here is a unique and colorful native Hopi Indian variety. The 10 lb round fruit have a lovely pale gray rind that very hard, making this a great keeping variety. Orange flesh is both sweet and dry; large vines are quite vigorous. A Southwestern heirloom from the Hopi people that has nearly become extinct in recent years. A favorite for flavor! Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00



**HOWDEN #SQ216**

(C. pepo) A large, more uniform Connecticut Field type pumpkin. A hard, orange rind makes this an excellent carving variety. The 22 lb fruit have thick orange flesh; a great keeper and popular commercial variety. Pkt \$2.00



**JACK BE LITTLE #SQ160**

(C. pepo) 90 days. This tiny, cute pumpkin weighs just 8 ounces; flat and ribbed. These are highly popular and a top-selling fall crop. The flesh is good to eat and the skin is bright orange. This type of squash may have been developed in the Orient as pumpkins of this type are offered to the 'Spirits' by many in Thailand, where they come in 4 or 5 colors. Pkt \$2.00



**JARRAHDALE #SQ119**

(C. maxima) 100 days. Slate, blue-grey, 6- to 10-lb pumpkins of superb quality. Their shape is flat, ribbed, and very decorative; also a good keeper. Popular in Australia, an excellent variety. Pkt \$2.75



**JUMBO PINK BANANA #SQ138**

(C. maxima) 105 days. Large, pink, banana-shaped fruit can weigh over 40 lbs. This variety is over 100 years old. We have grown this squash for many years. Fine-flavored, dry, sweet, orange flesh that is superbly fine tasting, one of my favorites. Popular on the West Coast; large yields. Pkt \$2.25 or **1 oz \$4.50**



**KOGIGU #SQ304**

(C. moschata) Exquisite gem of traditional Japanese squash breeding! Fruits are oblate shaped, very deeply ribbed, with a rough texture and waxy bloom—the very picture of squash voluptuousness! Fruits start out green, upon maturity mellowing to medium brown. The fruits weigh a very practical 1-2 lbs, ideal for smaller families. The dark orange flesh is sweet and fruity tasting, with a nutty flavor, and fine grained. Quality is very high. Keeping quality is excellent, too; fruits can be stored for up to 8 months! Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00





**LADY GODIVA #SQ217**

(C. pepo) 105 days. The popular naked-seeded pumpkin that produces seeds without the hard shell that develops on most pumpkin seeds. They are ready to eat straight from the fruit, or better yet, roast with a little olive oil and sea salt and enjoy! High in nutrition and protein, they are nature's perfect snack. The pumpkins themselves are quite attractive, with yellow-orange rinds that are striped with green; perfect for decorations. Pkt \$3.00



**LAKOTA #SQ245**

(C. maxima) This colorful variety was grown by the Lakota Sioux. It is pear-shaped, flame-red with green streaks at the bottom. So attractive for fall decorations. The flesh is fine-grained and sweet with a great nutty taste. A wonderful squash that ranks among the most beautiful. Pkt \$3.00



**LONG ISLAND CHEESE #SQ128**

(C. moschata) 105 days. A longtime favorite on Long Island, very popular for pies. Flat, lightly-ribbed fruit look like wheels of cheese, with buff-colored skin. A very good keeper, of excellent quality, 6-10 lbs each; a beautiful heirloom variety. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$6.50**

**MORANGA #SQ505**  
(Cucurbita maxima) 95 days. We are so excited to at last have seeds for the wonderful "Pink Pumpkin". Very hard to find traditional squash from Brazil. Fruits are ribbed, light pink to salmon in color and weigh in at a modest 4-8 pounds. Traditionally used to make a dish called 'Camarão na Moranga' which means 'shrimps in a squash'. Pkt \$3.00



**MUSQUEE DE PROVENCE #SQ152**

(C. moschata) 120 days. These gorgeous, big, flat pumpkins are shaped like large wheels of cheese and are heavily lobed and ribbed. The skin is a beautiful, rich brown color when ripe. The flesh is deep orange, thick, and very fine flavored; fruit grow to 20 lbs each. This traditional variety from southern France is great for fall markets. Pure European seeds. Pkt \$2.75 or **1oz \$7.00**



**NEW ENGLAND SUGAR PIE #SQ131**

(C. pepo) 100 days. The noted small sugar pumpkin of New England. The orange fruits weigh 4-5 lbs and have fine, sweet flesh that is superb for pies. Described by Fearing Burr in 1863. Pkt \$2.25 or 1 oz \$5.00



**MARINA DI CHIOGGIA #SQ133**

(C. maxima) 95 days. The heirloom sea pumpkin of Chioggia, on the coast of Italy. The large turban-shaped fruit are deep blue-green. It is one of the most beautiful and unique of all squash. A perfect variety for market gardeners. The rich, sweet flesh is a deep yellow-orange and of good quality, delicious baked or in pies. The fruits weigh about 10 lbs each and are produced on vigorous vines. Stunning! Pure Italian seed from one of Italy's best heirloom growers. Pkt \$2.50



**SEMINOLE PUMPKIN #SQ215**

(C. moschata) 120 days. The wild squash of the Everglades. The round to pear shaped, lightly ribbed 3-lb squash have tan skin. The sweet flesh is deep orange, dry and of good quality. The productive vines are resistant to insects and disease. Found growing wild in Florida by early Spanish settlers, it can now only be found in remote parts of the Everglades. Pkt \$2.50



**RED KURI (HOKKAIDO) #SQ101**

(C. maxima) 92 days. A red-orange Japanese winter squash, fruit are 5-10 lbs each and tear-drop-shaped. The golden flesh is smooth, dry, sweet, and rich; a great yielding and keeping variety. Pkt \$2.50



**KABOCHA #SQ206**

A popular green-skinned Japanese squash that's shaped like a buttercup, but without the "cup" on the bottom. Rich yellow-orange flesh is of excellent quality, being sweet, fine-textured and nutty tasting. Perfect for making delicious pumpkin curries, breads and baking. A leading type in much of Asia. One of the best eating squash of all time! Pkt \$3.50 or **1 oz \$7.50**



**YUXIJIANGBINGGUA #SQ308**

(C. moschata) 130 days. This amazing flat squash from China is causing quite a stir. The fruits possess amazing eye appeal—burnt-orange to chestnut-brown skin, covered in a waxy bloom. Each 3- to 8-pound fruit is incredibly deeply ribbed and most unusual of all is the way the top of each fruit dramatically recurves toward the stem, sometimes completely enfolding it. The orange flesh is sweet and of very high quality. Use in soups, purées, cakes, and sweet dishes of all types. They are great keepers, too, easily lasting 3-4 months. One of the most intriguing squashes we offer, and a new favorite here. We found seeds for this most beautiful variety from a Chinese seed seller, who had a small stand setup in Fang, Thailand. The most interesting squash we have found in years! Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.50



**TABLE QUEEN ACORN #SQ126**

(C. pepo) 80 days. Dark green Acorn-type fruit. Iowa Seed Co. introduced this variety in 1913 and is possibly of Native American origin. The small fruits have sweet, orange flesh. Pkt \$2.00 or **1 oz \$4.50**

**TABLE QUEEN BUSH ACORN**

**#SQ173** (C. pepo) Here is an exciting true bush version of 'Table Queen Acorn'. 36" plants stay compact and produce heavy yields of these delicious squash with dry orange flesh. A great variety for small gardens, and will produce almost anywhere in the USA. Pkt \$2.25 or **1 oz \$6.00**



**SWEET DUMPLING #SQ137**

(C. pepo) 90 days. One of the sweetest; 1lb fruit has white skin with green stripes. The sweet, tender, orange flesh makes this variety the favorite of many. Pkt \$2.50



**YOKOHAMA #SQ108**

(C. moschata) Introduced to America about 1860 by James Hogg, of Yorkville, New York, from seeds his brother Thomas sent him from Japan. We are so happy to reintroduce this piece of American history. The beautiful fruit are very flat, ribbed and dark-green-to-tan in color. The orange flesh is dry, fine-grained and sweet. Listed by both Burr (1863) and Vilmorin (1885). RARE! Pkt \$3.00 or **1 oz \$8.00**



**MUSQUEE DE MAROC**

**#SQ286**

(C. moschata) 90 days. This variety was a big hit at the Heirloom Expo in Santa Rosa, California. The stunning, round to bell-shaped fruits are terra-cotta to buff-colored, and warty very attractively. You'll want to use this one in centerpieces and displays before you consign it to the kitchen! A commercial variety in north Africa. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.75



**WINTER LUXURY PIE #SQ167**

(C. pepo) This beautiful pumpkin was introduced by Johnson & Stokes in 1893. Lovely 6-lb golden fruit have white netting and are perfect for pies. In fact, this is one of the best tasting pie pumpkins you can grow; with very sweet and smooth flesh, it's a favorite of all who grow it. Pkt \$2.75 or 1 oz \$6.00



**VEGETABLE SPAGHETTI #SQ102**

(C. pepo) 88 days. This is the popular squash with stringy flesh that is used like spaghetti. Introduced by Sakata Seed Co. of Japan, in 1934. May have originated in China. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$4.75**



**THAI KANG KOB #SQ204**

(C. moschata) A lovely sea green-colored squash that turns chestnut color in storage; pumpkin-shaped, very ribbed and warty. Weighs about 6-8 lbs and a favorite here at Baker Creek; vines produced well and had good resistance to squash bugs and other pests. The orange flesh is richly flavored, sweet and fragrant; great for curries, soups, stir-fries and more. A favorite here and is sure to make you love squash! Pkt \$3.00



**ROUGE VIF D' ETAMPES #SQ118**

(C. maxima) 95 days. Most beautiful, flattened, and ribbed large fruit are a gorgeous deep red-orange. A very old French heirloom, this was the most common pumpkin in the Central Market in Paris back in the 1880's. The flesh is tasty in pies or baked. Like summer squash, this one can also be picked small and fried. As a bonus, it's a good yielder, too. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$5.50**

# SWISS CHARD

EXCELLENT ALL SEASON GREENS!

(*Beta vulgaris*) Chard is actually the same species as beets, but these varieties are grown for leaves rather than roots. The plants put all their energy into making large, tender leaves, with succulent mid-ribs massive enough to be a vegetable in their own right. The range of colors comes as a spectacular bonus! Chard is usually direct-seeded into the garden as early as a couple of weeks before the last frost. It can be sown anytime until midsummer, since the plants tolerate both heat and moderate cold of late fall, and even grow into the winter in milder climates. Prefers rich soil, full sun and ample moisture. 100 seeds per pkt.



**BIONDA DI LYON #SC110 Our Favorite!**  
50 days. Pale green leaves almost golden in color, and thick white midribs, give this chard a different look. Makes exquisite baby greens at 25 days. A great new addition to the ever-expanding color range of this old-fashioned veggie. Lovely and delicious! Pkt \$3.00



**FLAMINGO PINK CHARD #SC104**  
60 days. Neon hot-pink chard is so pretty and is perfect picked small for salads or larger for braising. Pkt \$2.50



**FORDHOOK GIANT CHARD #SC102**  
60 days. Introduced in 1924 by W. Atlee Burpee, large green leaves and white stems. Tasty. Pkt \$2.00 or 1 oz \$4.50



**FIVE COLOR SILVERBEET #SC101 (Rainbow Chard)** 60 days. A beautiful chard, its colors are brilliant (pink, yellow, orange, red and white). This chard originated in Australia. Very mild, ornamental, and tasty. Great for market growers and specialty markets. Pretty enough to plant in the flower garden; so delicious; one of our favorite greens! Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$5.00



**PERPETUAL SPINACH #SC107**  
(*Beta vulgaris var cicla*) 50 days. Belongs to the same species as chard and beets, but it has distinctive differences. The taste is more like a true spinach than ordinary chard, and the leaves look like spinach too—flatter and more pointed than chard, with slimmer stems. Very longstanding in the garden, yielding from late spring through autumn if planted early. Seldom bolts during its first year. Pkt \$2.00

*"Cut and come again". This vegetable gives maximum returns for little care and space; it yields a constant crop from July to winter. The leaves are used for greens the same as spinach or beet tops... Cut the leaves off and new ones grow quickly."* --Vaughan's Seeds, 1936



**VERDE DE TAGLIO #SC109**  
Very thin stems support large leaves of unusual substance. Outstandingly sweet and tender variety. Excellent for "cut and come again" style harvesting. One of the best-tasting chards. A delightful, traditional Italian variety. Pkt \$3.00



**VULCAN CHARD #SC106**  
60 days. An improved rhubarb chard developed in Switzerland. Very attractive and uniform red chard, this variety has great flavor and is perfect for marketing. Pkt \$2.00 or 1 oz \$6.50

# TOMATILLO

A MUST FOR SALSA AND SAUCES!

*(Physalis ixocarpa)* Also called "husk tomato," for the paper-like calyx or husk that encloses each fruit. They are grown much like tomatoes, except that they are seldom staked; they do tend to grow a bit faster from seed than most tomatoes, and are a little more tolerant to cold weather. Tomatillos are used in fresh salsas and cooked in any number of sauces, including Mexican-style chili verde. 30 seeds per packet.



## AMARYLLA #TL109

60 days. A Polish twist on an old Mexican staple vegetable! Immature fruits are green, morphing to pretty yellow as they ripen and begin to split their protective husks. The fruit is firm, juicy and very sweet; perfect for jams, jellies and don't forget the salsa! We also love these in the garden for fresh snacking and salads. Bred to thrive in the cooler summer conditions of inland eastern Europe. Pkt \$3.00



## TOMATILLO PURPLE #TL101

*(Physalis ixocarpa)* 70 days. Beautiful purple fruit, large size. Many are a bright violet color throughout their flesh. Much sweeter than the green types, it can be eaten right off the plant. Turns purple when ripe; rare! Pkt (20 Seeds) \$2.50



## TOMATILLO VERDE #TL102

Deep green fruit; a standard, richly-flavored type. Huge yields as with most tomatillos. Pkt \$2.50 **or 1/8 oz \$8.50**



## RIO GRANDE VERDE #TL104

85 days. This special selection of Tomatillo yields large, apple-green fruits. The medium-sized, determinate plants need no staking. The globe shaped fruits reach 3-4 ounces, very large for a tomatillo, and the yields are very high. Recommended for fresh market. Pkt \$2.75



## TINY FROM COBAN #TL108

Here's another variety collected by Jere Gettle on his 2005 trip to Central America, and preserved in our seed bank until grown out in 2013! This is a true tomatillo, having the typical husk, but the fruit is smaller, about the diameter of a dime. Fruits ripen to green or purple and are possessed of an unusual savory taste—some what different from other tomatillos we sell. Pkt \$2.50



## PURPLE COBAN #TL103

70 days. A flavorful tomatillo that is 1 inch in diameter, being green with varying degrees of purple on many fruit. Very popular in Guatemalan cuisine; we collected this heirloom at Coban, Guatemala, a beautiful mountain town. Pkt \$2.50

# TOMATO

## AMERICA'S FAVORITE GARDEN CROP

(*Lycopersicon lycopersicum*) This crop, native to the Americas, has become the most popular garden crop over the last 200 years. We offer an amazing selection of many of the finest old varieties in lots of delicious colors! A few heirloom varieties have plants that don't get quite so large; called "determinate" varieties, these get to a certain size and then set all their fruit more or less at once. Determinates may be a better choice where tomatoes are grown in a very small garden or in containers. All varieties are believed to be 'indeterminate' (long vines) unless specified 'determinate' (short vines). The best tasting varieties tend to be indeterminate. 25 seeds per Pkt, unless otherwise noted.

## GREEN TOMATOES



### AUNT RUBY'S GERMAN GREEN #TG101

85 days. One of the largest green beefsteaks. Can grow to over 1 pound and are just delicious. They have brilliant, neon-green flesh with a strong, sweet, and fruity flavor, much tastier than most red tomatoes. This family heirloom from Germany is beautiful. The winner of the 2003 Heirloom Garden Show's taste test. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/8 oz \$8.50



### EMERALD APPLE #TG116

85 days. A rare variety from Russia where it is used for fresh eating, cooking and canning. Very large green fruit often exceed a pound and a half. This tomato is deliciously tart yet with a surprising sweetness. A wonderful eating tomato that has become a favorite here at the farm. It is one of the best and biggest green tomatoes we've tried. Pkt \$2.50



### GREEN DOCTORS #TG118

A favorite green cherry variety, having a good sweetness and yet still has lots of tart flavor. Named after Dr. Amy Goldman and Dr. Carolyn Male who have both written great tomato books. Fruit is yellowish-lime green with kiwi-green colored flesh. Large vines produce huge yields of these little cherries. Some plants produce bright green fruit others produce "frosted" fruit which are lighter in color and even sweeter. Pkt \$2.50



### GREEN GIANT #TG126

85 days. Potato leaf. The most productive and best tasting tomato in our trials! Large emerald-green fruit are over one pound in weight, they are uniform, very smooth and blemish-free. Color stays pure green even when dead ripe! Plants are very robust and require staking. Very few seeds; outstanding, complex flavor—very sweet and juicy. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.25



### GREEN ZEBRA #TG103

75 days. One of my favorite tomatoes. Beautiful chartreuse with deep lime-green stripes, very attractive. Flesh is bright green and very rich tasting, sweet with a sharp bite to it (just too good to describe!). A favorite tomato of many high class chefs, specialty markets, and home gardeners. Yield is excellent. The most striking tomato in our catalog, a real beauty. Around 3 ounces. This is the tomato colored for the Green Bay Packers. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/8 oz \$8.50

### SPEAR'S TENNESSEE GREEN #TG108

A wonderful heirloom grown by the Spear family of Tennessee since the 1950's and brought to us by a local customer who has been preserving it in his garden. The round fruit weigh 8-10 oz and have the taste of tomatoes from Grandma's garden. They make your mouth water just thinking about them. This rare and historic variety deserves a place in every garden and certainly a place on our table in the future. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.50



# ORANGE TOMATOES

## AMANA ORANGE #TO106

80 days. Big, 1 lb glowing orange beefsteaks have an intense, full flavor that most tomatoes don't match! This very attractive heirloom tomato is a favorite among our customers. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/8 oz \$8.50



## BRANDYWINE, YELLOW #TO102

90 days. Superbly rich and delicious-tasting large fruit, the golden variety gives good yields and, in our opinion, the fruit are better tasting than Pink Brandywine. Large potato-leaf plants are very sturdy and deep green. This heirloom is delicious any way you eat it! Pkt \$2.50



## WOODLEE ORANGE #TO112

75 days. Large, round, smooth fruit are nearly perfect in shape, being a brilliant tangerine color. A super fancy-looking variety that makes a good market tomato; it has an incredible rich and sweet complex flavor that is among the best. This fine heirloom was sent to us from Iowa, and has proven to be a favorite for flavor and yield. A good main-season producer. Pkt \$2.50



## DR. WYCHE'S YELLOW #TO108

80 days. This heirloom was introduced to Seed Savers Exchange by the late Dr. John Wyche, who at one time owned the Cole Brothers Circus and used the manure of elephants to fertilize his heritage gardens. The 1 lb fruit is solid and smooth; the color is a glowing tangerine-orange that always stands out in the kitchen or on the vine. One of the best heirloom orange types for market, with its smooth texture and tropical, sweet taste. Heavy yields. Pkt \$2.50



## DAD'S SUNSET #TO103

The perfect orange tomato! Large 10 oz. fruit are very smooth, uniform, and a beautiful, glowing orange in color. It keeps very well. One of the best flavored tomatoes we have tried. Pkt \$2.50



## GOLD RUSH CURRANT #TO132

75 days. Tiny currant tomatoes ripen a deep, rich golden orange. And so sweet! The fruits on this nearly wild-type tomato are just a quarter-inch in diameter, but produced on large trusses of up to a dozen fruits, with many ripening at once. The fruits are tiny, but the flavor is big—rich, juicy and sweet! Superb for snacking, delightful in salads; make the cutest garnish on your favorite dishes. A selection from renowned Dutch seedsman, the late Kees Sahin. Pkt \$2.50



## ORANGE ICICLE #TO124

Sweet, rich and flavorful with strong citrus overtones made this Jere's favorite eating variety last season. We just couldn't get enough of the sweet, luscious, glowing orange icicle-like fruit that are like an extra long paste tomato. This variety also makes a lovely orange ketchup and a superb salsa. It was a definite winner, and plants were quite productive. In our opinion, this is some of the Ukraine's finest tomato breeding. Fruits have relatively few seeds. Pkt \$2.50

# PINK TOMATOES



## ARKANSAS TRAVELER #TK108

80 days. A medium-sized pink tomato that is smooth and a beautiful rose color. An excellent variety from Arkansas, tolerant to heat and humidity; crack and disease resistant. Good flavor, an excellent hillbilly favorite. Pkt. \$2.50.



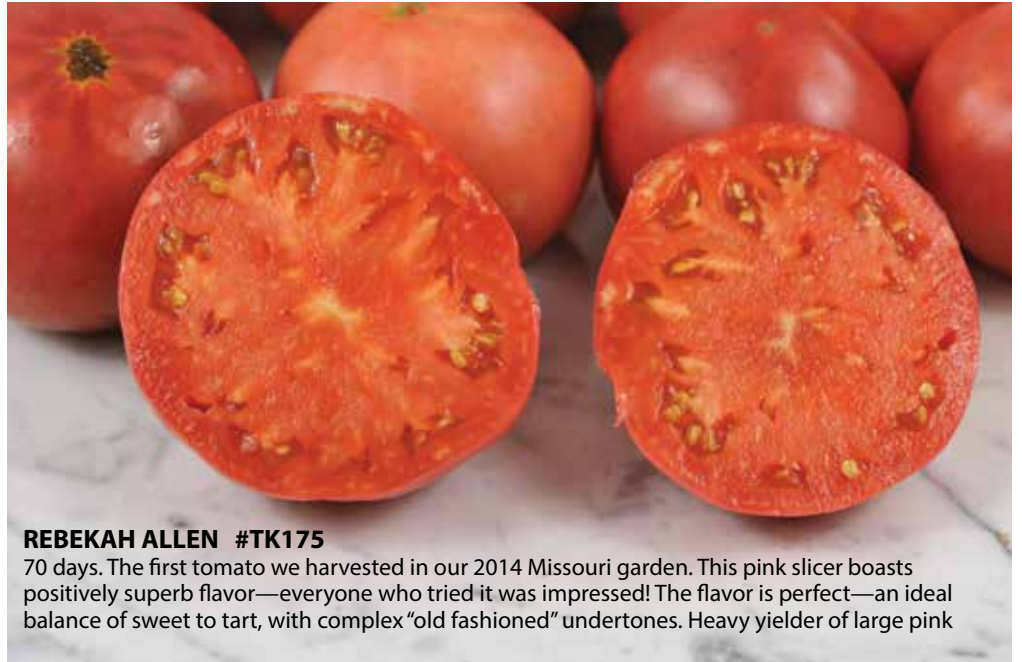
## PINK OXHEART #TK113

85 days. Beautiful, big, oval, pointed fruit with a fine, sweet, old-fashioned flavor! Popular with old-timers, a good all-purpose variety. Pkt \$2.00 or 1/8 oz \$8.50



## PINK ACCORDION #TK152

Truly unique, large pink fruits are ruffled like an accordion. Very attractive—one of the most beautiful we have seen. Perfect for specialty markets, the cut slices are stunning. This tomato is semi-hollow, so it is excellent for stuffing; the flavor is sweet and mild. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.00



## REBEKAH ALLEN #TK175

70 days. The first tomato we harvested in our 2014 Missouri garden. This pink slicer boasts positively superb flavor—everyone who tried it was impressed! The flavor is perfect—an ideal balance of sweet to tart, with complex “old fashioned” undertones. Heavy yielder of large pink



## BRANDYWINE (SUDDUTH'S STRAIN)

#TK115 80 days. The most popular heirloom vegetable! A favorite of many gardeners, large fruit with superb flavor. A great potato-leaved variety from 1885! Beautiful pink fruit up to 1 1/2 lbs each! Pkt \$2.25 or 1/8 oz \$8.50



## DESTER #TK170

75 days. A large pink beefsteak variety that reaches 1 to 1 1/2 pounds. Its rich sweet flavor makes it an excellent slicer. The seed came to us from an Amish lady just a few miles from our Baker Creek farm. Anna worked as a house cleaner for Dr. Dester and his wife in Indiana in the 1970's. Having acquired the seed from Germany, the Desters shared their favorite tomato seed with Anna, who treasured it and now shares it with us. One of our best tasting tomatoes. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.25



## BREAD AND SALT #TK149

Named for the long-held tradition in Russia to give special guests a loaf of bread and salt as they arrive. In Russian culture bread is associated with hospitality, and salt has an association with long friendship. Forget bread, and just give your guests this tomato; they will love it! Big, sweet fruits are round to slightly wedge-shaped and pink in color. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.50



## GERMAN JOHNSON #TK117

80-90 days. Very large, 1 to 2-lb fruits are deep pink, very flavorful, and crack-resistant. The plants are very productive; the superb quality fruits are great for farmers' markets or home gardens. Delicious. Pkt \$2.00



**GERMAN LUNCHBOX #TK129**

70-80 days. This heirloom was brought into the seed store a few years ago by a local gentleman who had been saving this tomato for many years. His family brought this variety to the USA when they immigrated here. The fruit are the size of a small egg, vibrant pink, sugar sweet, and begging to be eaten. Perfectly sized for salads or putting in the lunchbox! A favorite! Pkt \$2.50 or 1/8 oz \$8.50



**HUNGARIAN HEART #TK171**

80 days. Brilliant reddish-pink oxheart type fruits are large—frequently exceeding one pound! The fruits of this heirloom are firm and meaty like all oxheart types—great for paste, canning or fresh use. The crack-resistant fruits contain very few seeds and show very little tendency to develop cores—just rich tasting, solid flesh across each hefty slice! Heavy production all season long. Originated outside of Budapest, Hungary around 1900. Pkt \$2.50



**MORTGAGE LIFTER #TK120**

85 days. Large, smooth, 1-lb pink fruits have a delicious, rich, sweet taste. This variety has become very popular in recent years, and was developed by M.C. Byles of Logan, West Virginia. After crossing varieties for 6 years and selecting the best, he introduced this beauty that he named Mortgage Lifter in the 1940s, after he sold plants for \$1 each and paid off the \$6000 mortgage on his house. Pkt \$2.25 or 1/8 oz \$8.50



**GERMAN PINK #TK173**

85-90 days. One of the tomatoes that originally ignited the heirloom movement in America, this variety originated in Bavaria. It made its US debut in 1883, brought here by Michael Ott, a great-grandfather of Seed Savers Exchange co-founder Diane Ott Whealy. The luxuriant potato-leaf plants give high yields of 1- to 2-lb, nearly seedless meaty fruit. The prestigious Slow Foods USA Ark of Taste enthused: "a full sweet flavor, even floral, and...tender skinned." These gorgeous pink fruits are extremely versatile, excellent for canning and freezing but also for slicing and juicing. This one is sure to become a favorite in your garden! Pkt \$2.50



**HENDERSON'S "PINK PONDEROSA" #TK107**

85 days. Huge size, some over 2 lbs; a meaty pink-red beefsteak introduced by Peter Henderson & Co. in 1891, and the most famous of their varieties. In 1903 their catalog said "Quality Beyond Praise, Rich and meaty-sliced. Thick and delicious canned." Still popular with gardeners. Pkt \$2.00



# PURPLE, BLACK AND BROWN TOMATOES



## **BLACK CHERRY #TP106**

75 days. Beautiful black cherries look like large, dusky purple-brown grapes; they have that rich flavor that makes black tomatoes famous. Large vines yield very well; very unique and delicious. Pkt \$2.50 or **1/8 oz \$8.50**



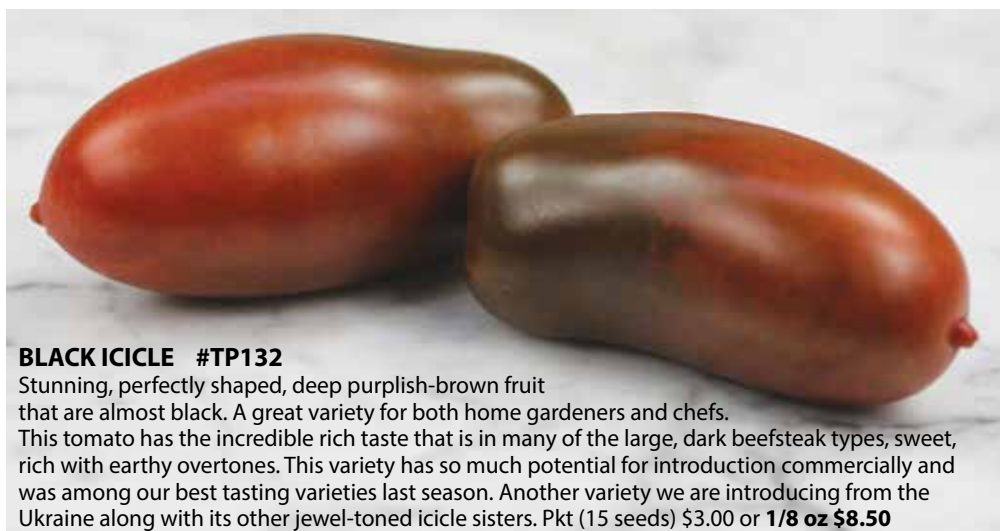
## **BLACK KRIM #TP102**

80 days. Dark red-purple fruit, rich sweet flavor. One of the best. It always places high in tomato taste trials. It's very juicy. An heirloom from Russia with very unique looking, large fruit. I really like the wonderful flavor. It's popular at many markets on the West Coast; also a favorite of many fine chefs. The top tomato in our 2014 nutritional study. Pkt \$2.50



## **ROSELLA #TP163 *NEW!***

70 days. Massive trusses of pink to purple cherries with a smoky blush. The tiny cherries are a half-inch across, contain very few seeds--superb for fresh eating, yet solid enough for cooking or for making a deep, rich red tomato paste. Superior balance of sweetness and acidity, with a rich, lingering aftertaste. We're crazy about it for snacking right in the garden! Bred for superior flavor by Gourmet Genetics. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



## **BLACK ICICLE #TP132**

Stunning, perfectly shaped, deep purplish-brown fruit that are almost black. A great variety for both home gardeners and chefs. This tomato has the incredible rich taste that is in many of the large, dark beefsteak types, sweet, rich with earthy overtones. This variety has so much potential for introduction commercially and was among our best tasting varieties last season. Another variety we are introducing from the Ukraine along with its other jewel-toned icicle sisters. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00 or **1/8 oz \$8.50**



## **BLACK PRINCE #TP104**

70 days. An heirloom from Irkutsk, Siberia. The 5 oz tomatoes are round and very uniform; the color is a wonderful deep blackish-chocolate brown. The flavor is as deep, sweet and rich as the color. A unique salad tomato, the plants produce a large and early crop. A good tomato for fine markets. Pkt \$2.50



## **CHEROKEE PURPLE #TP101**

80 days. An old Cherokee Indian heirloom, pre-1890 variety; beautiful, deep, dusky purple-pink color, superb sweet flavor, and very-large-sized fruit. Try this one for real old-time tomato flavor. Our favorite dark tomato and one of our best selling varieties. Pkt \$2.50 or **1/8 oz \$8.50**



## **CARBON #TP112**

90 days. Winner of the 2005 "Heirloom Garden Show" best-tasting tomato award. These have won taste awards coast to coast in the last few years, so we were proud to locate a small supply of seed. The fruit are smooth, large, and beautiful, being one of the darkest and prettiest of the purple types we have seen. They seem to have an extra dose of the complex flavor that makes dark tomatoes famous. Pkt (20 seeds) \$2.50



## **CHOCOLATE PEAR #TP155**

70 days. Expect huge crops of "black," pear-shaped tomatoes over a very long season. Chocolate Pear has the rich tomato flavor that have made heirlooms so popular! A great variety for CSAs and market growers. Light red in color, overlaid with swirls of varying hues of green or brown. Very unusual and decidedly one of the best! Pkt \$2.50



**TRUE BLACK BRANDYWINE #TP114**

80-90 days. Potato leaf. This fine variety was sent to us by our friend, famed seed collector and food writer, William Woys Weaver, of Pennsylvania. It was passed down to him from his Quaker grandfather's collection dating back to the 1920s. As to its history, Will states "The 'true' Black Brandywine was bred sometime in the late 1920s by Dr. Harold E. Martin (1888-1959), a dentist turned plant breeder who is best remembered today for his famous pole lima with huge seeds. Dr. Martin lived in Westtown, PA, only a few miles from my grandfather's place in West Chester, and the two were gardening buddies. It was through that connection that his grandfather managed to wheedle seed out of the good doctor, as well as the details on how he created it. Dr. Martin always had a high opinion of his plant creations and did not like to share them. He charged 25 cents a seed for his lima, unheard of in those days. And he never released his Black Brandywine to a seed company, nor did he share it with many people, so I am fairly certain it never circulated among growers like his popular lima bean. According to my grandfather, Black Brandywine was a controlled cross between Brandywine and the original brown Beefsteak tomato otherwise known as Fejee Improved. Fejee Improved is probably extinct." We thank Will for entrusting us with this great-tasting tomato that is extra large in size and full of the deep, earthy and sweet flavor that has made blackish-purple tomatoes so popular. Some fruits tended to crack, but the yield was heavy, and the plants were vigorous and did well in our hot Missouri summer. Superior for salsa and cooking. We enjoyed these all summer, both fresh and in countless recipes. A great home garden variety that will surely become a favorite. Pkt \$2.75



**PAUL ROBESON #TP110**

90 days. This famous tomato has almost a cult following among seed collectors and tomato connoisseurs, who simply cannot get enough of this variety's amazing flavor that is so distinctive, sweet, and smoky. 7 to 10-oz fruits are a red-brick color. Named in honor of the famous black opera singer, star of King Solomon's Mines, 1937. Paul Robeson, an American, was also a Russian Equal Rights Advocate for Blacks. This Russian variety was lovingly named in his honor. We are proud to offer such a wonderful variety. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.50 or 1/8 oz \$8.50



**VIOLET JASPER or TZI BI U #TP127**

When these little Oriental jewels ripen, your eyes will be stunned with color. They have pretty violet-purple fruits with iridescent green streaks! Fruits weigh 1-3 ounces, are smooth and have good tasting, dark purplish-red flesh. This variety will also amaze you with its yield: it's not only high, but incredibly high, being one of the most productive tomatoes we have grown. A great variety for marketing. Introduced to you from China along with its twin sister "Topaz"; see our yellow tomato section. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/8 oz \$8.50

**RED TOMATOES**



**A GRAPPOLI D'INVERNO #TM205**

This is the "Winter Grape" tomato of old Italy, where farmers would hang the fruit-covered vines and the fruit would stay fresh well into the winter. They also dry perfectly and resemble little "Roma" tomatoes. The flavorful fruit are delicious and great for snacking, fresh or dried. Pkt \$2.50



**ABU RAWAN #TM232**

Determinate. Another variety contributed to the tomato world by our friend, expatriate Iraqi seed collector Nael Aziz. He stated that it is a bit unusual for an Iraqi type, because in Iraq the people tend to favor tart tomatoes, while this one is sweeter. Having solid, all-purpose flesh, it will take the heat, like Iraqi types generally. Named for the onetime caretaker of the greenhouses at the Agricultural College at Al Ghraib. Maintained in cultivation in private gardens there since the 1970's. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.50



**AMISH PASTE #TM126**

80 days. Many seed savers believe this is the ultimate paste tomato. Giant, blocky, Roma type tomatoes have delicious red flesh that is perfect for paste and canning. It has world-class flavor and comes from an Amish community in Wisconsin. Pkt \$2.50

Tomatoes are high in lycopene, an antioxidant that is good for the heart, and are packed with vitamins A & C, calcium, and potassium.



**CHADWICK CHERRY OR CAMP JOY**

**#TM179** 80 days. Delicious, sweet flavor makes this 1-ounce cherry popular with home gardeners. Large vines set huge yields and are disease resistant. Developed by the late horticultural expert Alan Chadwick. He sure had a winner with this one! Pkt \$2.50



**BETALUX #TM134**

60 days. Determinate. Early Polish variety whose "rigid stem" habit doesn't require staking or pruning. Handsome potato-leaf vines are very productive, yielding 3- to 6-oz round to oblate fruits. These were very smooth and blemish-free in our trials. The fruits are well flavored and excellent for canning, sauces or paste. Pkt \$2.25



**COUR DI BUE #TM121**

70 days. A wonderful, Oxheart-type heirloom has been a favorite in Italy for many years. Beautiful, 12-oz, heart-shaped fruits have a delicious sweet taste. Great for fresh eating or cooking. Large vigorous vines. One of the best tasting tomatoes, these have perfect flavor! Hard to find and so beautiful looking. Pkt \$2.50 or **1/8 oz \$8.50**



**BONNY BEST #TM181**

The famous old canning tomato that was selected out of Chalk's Early Jewel by one George W. Middleton and introduced in 1908 by Walter P. Stokes seed house. It became one of the most respected canning varieties in America in the first half of the twentieth century. Medium-sized fruit are round, red, meaty and loaded with flavor. A good producer that makes a fine slicer too. Becoming hard to find due to modern, flavorless hybrids. Pkt \$2.25



**COSTOLUTO GENOVESE #TM210**

The fluted, old Italian favorite that has been around since the early 19th century. Fruit are rather flattened and quite attractive with their deep ribbing. This variety is a standard in Italy for both fresh eating and preserving, and known for its intensely flavorful, deep red flesh. This variety has also become very popular with chefs in this country. Pkt \$2.25



**JERSEY DEVIL #TM235**

90 days. Pendant, pointed, pepper-like fruits are slow to set on but yield very heavily. 5-6-inch, ruby-red, paste-type fruits are very meaty and have but few seeds. Incredible flavor. This variety was another pillar of the New Jersey tomato industry, and is an ancestor to "Jersey Giant." Jere has been growing these for 20 years and they are a favorite! Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.50



**CREOLE ORIGINAL #TM259 *NEW!***

We received this variety from a donor from Georgia who reported that the seeds trace back to the late 1700's. We have yet to verify this amazing heritage however we have verified the amazing potential of this wonderful indeterminate variety. Medium sized fruits ripen to a nice bright red color. Yields are large and production lasts late into the season. The flavor has just the right blend of sweet and tart - like a good old heirloom tomato should! Pkt \$2.75



**FOX CHERRY #TM160**

75 days. Delicious large, red heirloom cherry tomatoes that seem to be one of the best-tasting large cherries around. The vining plants are very reliable, even in years when the wilt kills just about everything else. The fruits weigh about 1 oz each and are perfect for salads. Pkt \$2.50



**ST. PIERRE TM107**

A beautiful French heirloom, the tender fruits have a full, rich tomato flavor and are large in size; great for canning or fresh eating. They are deep red and excellent producers, even in bad conditions. Popular in Europe. Pkt \$2.00

**There is only one kind of freedom and that's individual liberty. Our lives come from our creator and our liberty comes from our creator. It has nothing to do with government granting it.**

**-Ron Paul**



**PRINCIPE BORGHESE #TM122**

70-75 days. Determinate. The Italian heirloom that is famous for sun drying. Small 1-to 2-oz, grape-shaped fruit are very dry and have few seeds. They have a rich tomato taste that is wonderful for sauces. Vines yield clusters of fruit in abundance, perfect for selling in fresh markets and making specialty products. We offer pure Italian seed. Pkt \$2.25



**RIESENTRAUBE #TM132**

75-85 days. This old German heirloom was offered in Philadelphia by the mid-1800's. The sweet, red 1-oz fruit grow in large clusters; the name means "Giant Bunch of Grapes" in German. This is likely the most popular small tomato with seed collectors, as many favor the rich, full tomato flavor that is missing in today's cherry types. Large plants produce massive yields. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/8 oz \$8.50



**ROMA #TM110**

75 days. Determinate. A quality paste variety with very thick flesh. A popular old favorite; good yields. Pkt \$2.00

**"I decided that if I could paint that flower in a huge scale, you could not ignore its beauty." -Georgia O'Keeffe**



**RUTGERS #TM102**

60-100 days. Determinate. Good for canning, also excellent fresh; large red 8-oz globes. Good yields and flavor, large vines. A fine N.J. heirloom. Pkt \$2.25



**SAN MARZANO LUNGO NO. 2 #TM213**

This is a newer selection of this famous Italian cooking tomato. Long, cylindrical fruit are filled with thick, dry flesh and few seeds. This heavy producing variety is a standard for many Italian farmers and chefs. Pkt \$2.00



**TAPPY'S HERITAGE #TM112**

85 days. Beautiful, smooth, large red fruit are globe-shaped. With good disease resistance, great yields, perfect shape, and wonderful flavor; it's superb for market growers. This variety was developed by Merlyn and Mary Ann Niedens, longtime seed growers in Illinois. Bred from heirloom varieties, it has fantastic taste and is one of our all-time best-selling varieties. Try it and you will see why! Pkt \$2.50

**He that oppressteth the poor reproacheth his Maker: but he that honoureth him hath mercy on the poor. -Proverbs 14:31**



**MARTINO'S ROMA #TM247**

70-80 days. Determinate. Fantastic yields of richly flavorful plum-shaped tomatoes, on compact plants that require very little staking! Resistant to early blight, reliable for home or market gardens! The paste-type fruits weigh in at 2-3 ounces, dry-fleshed and very meaty with few seeds. Great for sauces, salsas and pastes. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/8 oz \$8.50



**MINIBEL #TM248**

65 days. Determinate. Bite-sized fruits are sweet and flavorful. Tiny ornamental plants reach only to about a foot in height and require no support. Covered in tasty little tomatoes. Excellent choice for containers, pots or hanging baskets; pretty enough for the patio or deck. So cute! Pkt \$2.50



**REISETOMATE #TM198**

The most novel tomato we have seen, this tomato is like a big bunch of cherry tomatoes all fused together: an amazing trait that had everyone here asking questions about the alien-looking, bumpy tomatoes. Also called "Traveler Tomato" ("reise" is German for "travel" or "journey") for the ability to tear it apart a piece at a time, with no need for a knife. This type of tomato traces its roots to Central America where the native people would carry traveler tomatoes on trips, to eat as they walked. Bright red tomatoes taste—well, rather sour, strong and acidic. The perfect tomato for those who love raw lemons, but who cares? They are still far-out and groovy. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.50

# STRIPED TOMATOES



**ANANAS NOIRE OR BLACK PINEAPPLE #TS117** A most exciting new tomato, it is wonderful in every way. This unusual variety was developed by Pascal Moreau, a horticulturist from Belgium. The multi-colored, smooth fruit (green, yellow and purple mix) weigh about 1½ lbs. The flesh is bright green with deep red streaks. Everyone loves its superb flavor that is outstanding, being both sweet and smoky with a hint of citrus. The yield is one of the heaviest we have ever seen! Be the first at your farmer's market to have this new classic. Pkt \$2.75



**BERKELEY TIE-DYE GREEN #TS155**  
75-80 days. Incredibly colorful and delicious large-fruited slicing variety! Fruits run 8 to 16 ounces. Exterior color is green with stripes in red and yellow. But the flesh is truly tri-color! Creamy green flesh infused with various shades of red and yellow. Each of these colors has a different flavor resulting in a spicy, sweet, tart tomato with good acid all in one fruit. Discovered in a planting of Beauty King. Fair to good production. A truly incredible new open-pollinated variety, and a new favorite of many chefs. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



**BERKELEY TIE-DYE PINK #TX105**  
65-75 days. Compact plants produce beautiful 8-12 ounce fruits with a very sweet, rich, dark tomato flavor. 10 out of 10 people liked the port wine colored beefsteak with metallic green stripes better than Cherokee Purple in a farmers market taste off. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



**LARGE BARRED BOAR #TX102**  
65-70 days. This regular leaf tomato grows fairly stocky and not as tall as most indeterminate varieties. Flattened beefsteak fruit are pink-brown with metallic green stripes and weigh 8-12 ounces. Very meaty pink flesh is very flavorful. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



**BLUSH TIGER #TS145**  
60-70 days. Stunning "Blushed" in red and gold combine with a translucent quality to give these elongated cherries serious visual appeal! The fruits, similar in size and shape to large, long olives, score high in taste tests. Blush was selected by eight-year-old Alex Hempel from two of his favorite tomatoes, and is an ancestor of the Bumble Bee series! Outstanding! Pkt \$2.75



**LUCKY TIGER #TS161** *Staff Favorite!*  
This is an elongated, green-when-ripe tomato that will mature to dark green with red striping. This tomato gets high marks for flavor: tangy, sweet and complex with tropical notes and balanced acidity. Lucky Tiger has great market gardening potential. It stands out in the market display and is well suited for both greenhouse and field growing. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



**GOLD MEDAL #TS112**  
75-90 days. The 1-3 lb fruits are among the smoothest, bi-colored tomatoes we carry and are one of the most beautiful we have seen. Yellow fruits are blushing with rosy red that radiates from the blossom end. Lovely! The firm flesh is of superior quality, being sweet and mild. They have very little acid; great for fresh eating. From the late, legendary seed collector, Ben Quisenberry. Pkt \$2.50



**ISIS CANDY CHERRY #TS128** 65 days. Delightful, round, one-inch fruits may vary in shades and blush patterns of reds to yellows, usually with golden flesh. Typically carry an intriguing "cat's eye" or star in yellow on the blossom end. The flavor is outstandingly sweet and fruity. Kids adore them. Pkt \$2.50



**HILLBILLY OR FLAME #TS102**

80-85 days. A huge, bi-color heirloom; brilliant yellow color with red marbling. Very large with a rich, sweet flavor. Beautiful when sliced. An heirloom believed to be from West Virginia. Pkt \$2.00 or **1/8 oz \$8.50**



**PINEAPPLE #TS103**

75-95 days. Very large, up to 2 lbs each. The yellow fruit has red marbling through the flesh and is one of the most beautiful tomatoes we sell. The flavor is very sweet and fruity; good yields! A Gettle Family favorite. Pkt \$2.50 or **1/8 oz \$8.50**



**PORK CHOP #TX106**

75-85 days. While most "yellow" tomatoes are actually orange, this is a true yellow that starts off yellow with green stripes that ripen to gold. The medium sized, slightly flattened beefsteaks have sweet tomato flavor with hints of citrus. Wild Boar farmer Brad Gates says it is the "best yellow I have ever had." Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00  
75-85 days. Here is a red version of our popular Green Zebra. Fire-engine-red fruits are covered with bright yellow stripes. Sweet and flavorful, this variety should prove very popular for both home and specialty markets. Pkt \$2.50



**STRIPED ROMAN #TS105**

80-90 days. Stunning and unique, these long, pointed, red fruits have wavy orange stripes! People were really excited about this one at our Heirloom Garden Show. It's a specialty grower's dream; just what chefs and today's buyers are looking for; a perfect midsize beauty with brilliant color, meaty flesh, and excellent flavor. This variety was developed by John Swenson. Pkt \$2.50



**TIGERELLA #TS113**

55-75 days. Tasty, 2" round fruit are bright red with orange stripes. A quite beautiful and popular variety from England that is good for greenhouse production. The yields are high even in cool summers, and it starts producing very early. It also has good disease-resistance. So smooth, so pretty! Pkt \$2.00 or **1/8 oz \$8.50**



**YELLOW FIRE #TS164 *NEW!***

85 days. This dual purpose tomato brings flamboyant orange, yellows and reds to sauces and stands out when sliced and eaten fresh. The fruits are meaty, with few seeds and super tasty. We love how the unique striped fruits hang on the plants; you can't miss them! Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



**SUNRISE BUMBLE BEE #TS150**

70 days. Chefs love the luminous swirls of reds and oranges, inside the fruits and out! Everyone loves the sweet, fruity taste, too! Oblong little fruits weigh barely an ounce, sometimes show a pronounced beak at the blossom end. Another member of the incredible new 'Artisan' series. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



**PURPLE BUMBLE BEE #TS149**

60-70 days. Slightly elongated little cherries with the most outrageous striping in lime green and bronzy-purple! Crack-resistant fruits are produced all season long on plants that are unfazed by temperature extremes. The flavor is complex but sweet. Excellent holding quality makes this newer type outstanding for market. The bar for quality just got higher! From Artisan Seeds. Pkt \$2.75



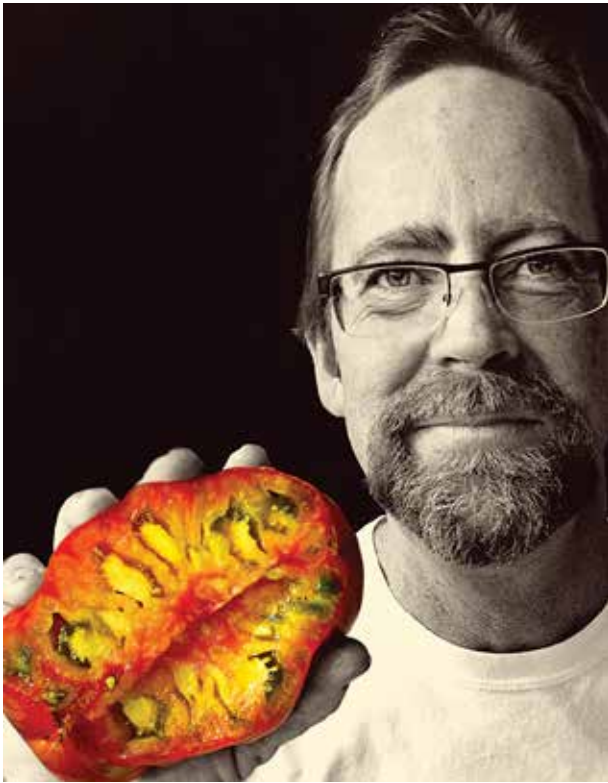
**PINK BUMBLE BEE #TS148**

60-70 days. A stunning cherry tomato, of recent breeding from Artisan Seeds. The fruits have a bright, sweet flavor, and the color is vibrant fire-engine-red with golden orange striping. Vigorous vines yield crack resistant fruits over a very long season. Tolerates cool nighttime temps and hot days. Salad will never be the same! Pkt \$3.00



**SOLAR FLARE #TX107**

This 6-10 ounce beefsteak is red with gold stripes and has very meaty flesh with luscious sweet red tomato flavor. Developed by Brad Gates and selected for flavor, production, increased earliness and scab resistance, he says the variety is one of his "work horses." Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



## The Wild Tomato Man

**Brad Gates**—Owner of Wild Boar Farms in St. Helena California. Named after his favorite animal, his farm includes a wholesale tomato business that supplies Bay Area restaurants and businesses with outstanding organic tomatoes, as well as marketing plant starts in the spring, and seeds to seedsmen throughout the country. And he doesn't just market seeds—he breeds the varieties he sells as well!

Gates started saving his own seeds and crossbreeding many years ago. Wild Boar Farms varieties often have some whimsical reference to pigs in their names. But the whimsy extends to the tomatoes themselves. All colors of the tomato rainbow are represented, and often several of them on a single fruit: bicolored striped fruits abound, with not a few possessing three colors! Wild Boar Farms has been at the forefront of “blue” tomato breeding as well, with the “Indigo” series already approaching near-legendary status. Gates’ varieties come in all sizes, ranging from currants, like Indigo “Gold Berries,” to enormous slicers like “Large Barred Boar”, “Pineapple Pig” and “Pink Berkeley Tie Dye”, which may be his most beloved release.

Gates’ offerings have heirloom ancestors in their background. He selects from crosses and mutations; many of his varieties have been chance discoveries rather than deliberate breeding. It helps that he has so many tomato plants to work with: he grew over 14,000 of them in 2013! “A lot of them have been lucky finds which I attribute to growing tens of thousands of plants and actually being the one going up and down the rows... to notice them... With a lot of plants to choose from you can get some pretty bizarre looking tomatoes; the key is selecting for flavor to go along with that unique look,” he said. Only a very few of his test tomatoes are selected for planting the following year. “I like to grow about a hundred plants or more, then I’ll select seeds from just a couple each season. “It’s like a...Christmas present that takes a year to open,” he adds, referring to the colors, shapes and flavors.

### **BLACK BEAUTY TOMATO #TX125** 80 days

**World’s Darkest Tomato**-- the darkest tomato we know of! A dark, meaty, very rich-fleshed tomato with extreme anthocyanin expression (same antioxidant in blueberries and blackberries). So dark that some tomatoes turn solid blue-black on the skin. Deep red flesh is among the best tasting of all tomatoes. Rich, smooth and savory with earthy tones. Hangs well on the vine and stores very well, and the flavor improves with room-temperature storage. Our own Dave Kaiser tasted it at the 2015 National Heirloom Exposition and proclaimed it as the BEST tomato he had ever eaten! Limited seeds. Pkt (15 seeds) \$5.00



### **LUCID GEM TOMATO #TX128**

**NEW!** 80 days. This new Brad Gates selection is an absolute masterpiece! Slicing-type fruits are stunning, inside and out! This sister selection to Blue Beauty yields loads of 5-ounce, beefsteak-type fruits, very meaty and containing very few seeds. First they ripen yellow, then more toward orange when very ripe. Incredibly attractive with the black anthocyanin splashes really contrasting with the lighter colored skin. The sweet, juicy flesh is marbled yellow to red, and the flavor is fruity and superb. Unusually heat-tolerant; the fruits are great keepers. You can't go wrong with this one! Pkt (15 seeds) \$4.00



**NAPA ROSÉ BLUSH #TX131** *NEW!*

65-70 days. Sweet little cherries are richly colored in dark pink—very pretty with a sweet yet rich taste. Delicious little morsels grow in clusters—you can harvest entire clusters or pick individual fruits. Developed from “Blue Berries” and although anthocyanin expression is absent, does have the extra-long hang time of the blues. Seems to take extremes of heat or cold in stride. Pkt (15 seeds) \$4.00



**NAPA CHARDONNAY BLUSH #TX132**

*NEW!* 65-70 days. Yellow mutation from Napa Rosé Blush, Brad says this one has “a super-amazing flavor.” Many who tasted it for the first time proclaimed it the very best cherry type they had ever tasted. Also, this variety is very easy to grow, and does especially well in containers. Pkt (15 seeds) \$4.00



**CHESTNUT CHOCOLATE #TX127**

75 days. Great flavor, high yields, and marked disease resistance. The indigo coloring (high anthocyanin content) tops it off, making this new release from Brad Gates a wholly superior new offering. Cherry-sized fruits weigh 1-2 ounces and offer the sweet, rich flavor you’d expect from such a dark-fruited type. Great keeper too, whether on the shelf or right on the vine. Pkt (15 seeds) \$4.00



**BRAD’S  
ATOMIC GRAPE**

**#TX133** *NEW!*

75 days-- Elongated cherries in clusters. The color (and flavor!) is a full-blown assault on the senses—lavender and purple stripes when immature, turning to technicolor olive-green, red, and brown/blue stripes when fully ripe. Really wild! Fruits hold well on the vine or off, making this amazing variety a good candidate for market growers. Olive green interior is blushed with red when dead-ripe. Crack-resistant fruits are extraordinarily sweet! Wispy foliage looks delicate but belies these plants’ rugged constitution and high productivity. We’re so pleased to offer this brand-new release from Wild Boar Farms! Pkt (15 seeds) \$4.00



# BLUE TOMATOES



## BLUE BERRIES #TX111

75 days. Here's a new, small cherry variety from Brad Gates, Wild Boar Farms. Very dark purple color, which means it's super-rich in anthocyanins. Unripe, the fruits are a glowing amethyst purple. At maturity they turn deep red where the fruit was shaded; the areas that received intense sunshine are a purple so deep it's almost black! The flavor is intensely fruity and sugar-sweet! Plants are very productive, yielding all season in elongated clusters that look so beautiful. A new favorite here at Baker Creek! Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



## BLUE GOLD BERRIES #TX121

80 days--Incredibly beautiful cherry type in purple and yellow. Long clusters are packed with small, half-inch bright yellow cherry fruits. Each has indigo shoulders, bursting with loads of antioxidants, anthocyanin in this case. The flavor is very sweet and rich, and the plants are so productive. Sunburn and crack resistant, and the fruits hold well on the vine or in storage. A choice selection out of the original Wild Boar Blue Berries. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



## BLUE CREAM BERRIES #TX124

A super-sweet cherry tomato, cream berries are super prolific. These boast a delicate but complex flavor and a beautiful cream color with purple-blue splashes on the shoulder. A Wild Boar variety. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



## BLUE BEAUTY TOMATO #TX110

80 days. This recent Brad Gates introduction was selected from a cross between 'Beauty King' and a blue tomato. Fruits are modest beefsteak-type slicers, weighing up to 8 ounces, and the flavor is as good as their outstanding anti-oxidant content! Gorgeous, deep blue-black shoulders make this unique among slicing types. Excellent potential for market, as the fruits hold well on the vine. Sunburn and crack resistance are a welcome bonus. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



## INDIGO APPLE #TX108

75 days. Immature fruits show deep purple, almost black coloration, which is caused by high anthocyanin (an anti-oxidant). The medium-sized fruits turn red when ripe, with purple shoulders and streaks. They have a good, sweet tomato flavor. The pendant clusters present a striking appearance in the garden! Resists sunscald and cracking, lasting long into cool autumn weather when others have quit. Shows disease tolerance and great shelf-life. A classic is born! This tomato ranked #1 for the largest amounts of Lycopene and Vitamin C, according to a recent study we conducted. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



## WAGNER BLUE GREEN #TX122

This great "Blue" tomato comes from renowned heirloom/OP breeder Tom Wagner. Color is an incredible blue, with green flesh! We were impressed with its beauty and great flavor! The round fruits are around 3 inches in diameter, and are very smooth and blemish-free. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00

# WHITE TOMATOES



## CREAM SAUSAGE #TW105

70-75 days. Determinate. Here is a new and stunning tomato; an elongated paste tomato that is creamy white to pale yellow in color. The sweet flavor should be a hit with gourmet chefs. Bushy plants are quite productive. Think of the new sauce colors this beauty will create! Pkt \$3.00 or 1/8 oz \$8.50



## GREAT WHITE #TW101

80-85 days. Large, 1-lb giant with creamy white fruit. This tomato is superbly wonderful. The flesh is so good and deliciously fruity, it reminds one of a mixture of fresh-cut pineapple, melon and guava. One of our favorite fresh-eating tomatoes! Fruits are smoother than most large beefsteak types, and yields can be very high. Introduced by Gleckler's Seedsmen. Pkt \$2.50 or 1/8 oz \$8.50



## WHITE CURRANT #TW104

A favorite variety in our own garden! The fruits are tiny, barely an inch across, and creamy white, with skins having a pale yellow tint. One of the sweetest tomatoes we have ever grown, with superb flavor. The fruits grow in clusters, and the yield is huge! We have more than we can pick, right up to frost. Large vining plants. A perfect cherry for home and market gardeners. A wild type. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.50

*It is the working man who is the happy man.  
It is the idle man who is the miserable man.*  
-Benjamin Franklin



## WHITE BEAUTY OR SNOWBALL #TW108

80 days. Parchment-white tomatoes are extra smooth and beautiful. Renowned for their sweet, citrus taste that is richer and more complex than many white types. This variety is perfect for making a delicious white sauce or for eating fresh out of hand. In 1927 Isbell's Seed Co., of Jackson, Michigan, said that this was the best white variety that they had ever grown. Some sources say it may have been introduced as early as 1850. This eight-ounce variety is a wonderful piece of American history that is just too great to be lost. Chefs and market gardeners, take notice! Pkt \$2.50

# YELLOW TOMATOES



## GOLDEN KING OF SIBERIA #TY128

This tomato is one of the real favorites here. Big, lemon-yellow fruit are a delightful heart shape. The flesh is smooth, creamy and has a nicely balanced sweet taste. I always find myself "snacking" on these one-pound beauties. Plants are very productive and seem to have some disease resistance. Thanks to Russia for this really great yellow type. Pkt \$2.75



## HARTMAN'S YELLOW GOOSEBERRY #TY142

Believed to be the same yellow cherry as listed by seedsmen since pre-1830's, this was reintroduced by the John Hartman Seed Company. The very long vines bear clusters of 1-inch "Gooseberries" that are sweet, mild, tasty and light golden-yellow in color. One of the largest yielding tomatoes we have ever grown! Pkt \$2.50



## TOPAZ OR HUAN U #TY132

Named for the beautiful yellow Topaz stone, this Chinese introduction is sure to please you with its beautiful and sparkling, 1-3 ounce fruit. Light yellow with golden speckles. Mild tasting, firm and good for snacking or salads. Like its sister "Violet Jasper" (see purple tomatoes), this variety is incredibly productive. Add some color this year. Pkt \$3.00



## YELLOW MORTGAGE LIFTER #TY133

90 days. A beautiful yellow version of the regular Mortgage Lifter. It has the same great size and taste except this one is bright yellow in color. Always popular with our guests, this big heirloom is richly flavored and quite rare. A favorite! Pkt \$2.75



## YELLOW PEAR #TY122

80 days. Very sweet, 1 1/2" yellow, pear-shaped fruit have a mild flavor, and are great for fresh eating or for making tomato preserves. Very productive plants are easy to grow. One of the first tomatoes I grew as a child. Pkt \$2.50



## PILCER VESY #TY137

A classic, huge, yellow beefsteak type that we received from Russia. The fruit are a lovely lemon yellow and are flattened and ribbed. Fantastic flavor and thick flesh. This is now one of our favorite large tomatoes as they are also quite productive. Pkt \$2.75

# TURNIP

## A MUST FOR SPRING AND FALL PLANTING

(*B. rapa*) European crop, used for its leaves, roots, occasional blossoms, and as a fodder crop since at least Roman times. Turnips are under-appreciated by today's gardeners, but, properly grown, they make a superb storage crop for use through the winter. They should be direct-sown in ordinary garden soil, well-worked and free of stones, about two months prior to first frost of autumn. Thin to 6 inches apart; thinnings may be used as greens. Roots are ready in 35-70 days, depending upon the variety, and may be stored in the fridge, an unheated garage, root cellar, or right in the ground if properly mulched. (600 seeds per packet)



### **BOULE D'OR #TN113**

The "Golden Ball" or "Orange Jelly" variety has been a mainstay of European turnips for over 150 years. This seed came to us from France where this old turnip is still cherished, written about and grown. It has a finer flavor than many of the white fleshed varieties as the yellow flesh is sweeter and milder. Lovely color. Pkt \$2.00



### **PURPLE TOP WHITE GLOBE #TN103**

A popular market variety, heirloom (pre-1880), productive and easy to grow; giant roots. Skin is purple-white. Pkt \$1.75 or 1 oz \$4.00



### **ROUND RED #TN112**

Here is the bright red Oriental turnip that has become so hard to find! It produces small, tender globe-shaped roots that look so stunning in their red color; the stems are also red. Roots are crisp, small and perfect for fresh eating, or cooked. This rare turnip is fun and fast-growing. Our favorite. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50

### **HINONA KABU #TN108 *New!***

Ancient Japanese salad turnip with a slightly spicy, radish flavor originating in the Shiga Prefecture in the 1400s. The long, slender roots will grow to a foot in length. Roots have bright purple shoulders and white tips, and are traditionally made into a quick pickle called sakura zuke, they also taste amazing raw or cooked. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.75



### **"IDEAL" PURPLE TOP MILAN**

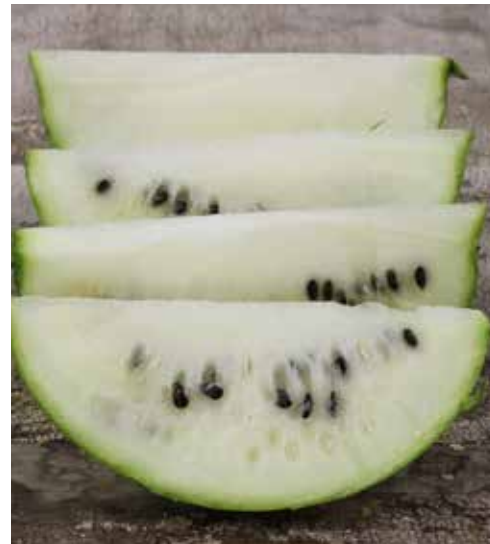
**#TN104** An improved Milan turnip, the roots are very flat, white with purple tops. The flavor is sweet and mild. A good variety for marketing. Popular in Italy, the Milan turnip is a 19th-century Italian heirloom that can grow to massive weights with proper care. Pkt \$2.00 or 1 oz \$5.00



# WATERMELON

TASTE REAL WATERMELON FLAVOR AGAIN!

(*Citrullus vulgaris*) We're #1 in watermelons—check our selection! Thrives in summer heat. A long-standing crop in the South where it was originally transported by slaves from Africa. 25 seeds per packet. In northern climates, try growing small fruited types or the Orangeglo variety often works.



## ALI BABA #WM152

Our favorite watermelon! We introduced this fine variety about 12 years ago after we were sent seed by Aziz Nael, an Iraqi gentleman who had collected this fantastic variety in Iraq. It is now nearly impossible to get seeds from this ancient country whose people have lost much of their genetic heritage in the long, bloody war. Now our corporate agriculture has been “kindly” suggested to native farmers who are losing thousands of years of plant breeding work. The 12-30 lb melons have hard light-green rinds that make them perfect for shipping and storage; the light color makes them resistant to sun burning. Plants are large, vigorous and give heavy yields of oblong fruit which do well in many conditions. The flavor is superb, being very sweet and luscious; and the texture is very crisp. This is a best seller and is a favorite of Dr. Amy Goldman and featured in her book “Melons for the Passionate Grower”. Ali Baba has received much acclaim online “as the best tasting watermelon,” and it will forever win a spot in any melon lover’s heart. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.50 or **1 oz \$9.50**

## BINGO #WM212 **NEW!**

This tasty Polish variety really stood out in our 2016 watermelon taste tests in California. The flavor is as vibrant as the bright red color of the flesh! The skin is a unique lime green with scarce dark green streaks. Wonderful! Pkt \$2.75



## WHITE WONDER #WM150 80 days.

Beautiful, snow-white flesh is so pale it’s almost transparent! The flavor is unique, fruity, and so delicious. The small, round 3-8 lb icebox-sized fruits are very refreshing and perfect for gourmet growers wanting to target high-class markets. These will add contrast to any display and are sure to bring attention at farmers’ markets. White-fleshed watermelons were common in the 1800’s, but due to corporate agriculture, these genetic treasures are about to be lost. That is a shame, as white-fleshed varieties date back hundreds of years and were developed in Africa from wild strains. This early variety is not for shipping as it cracks easily, but you will enjoy its unique crispness, fresh from the garden. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.50

## JUBILEE #WM130

90 days. Long, oval-shaped fruit with very sweet flesh that is deep red and very crisp. A popular old favorite. Large size. One of all-time best tasting melons! Pkt \$2.50



## BLACKTAIL MOUNTAIN #WM129

70 days. One of the earliest watermelons we know of; superb for the North, but it also grows well in heat and drought. The flesh is red and deliciously sweet. Fruits have a dark rind and weigh 8-12 lbs each. This excellent variety was developed by our friend Glenn Drowns, owner of the Sand Hill Preservation Center in Iowa. A favorite of many gardeners across the USA. One of the best we have ever tried! Pkt \$2.75 or **1 oz \$8.50**



## CLAY COUNTY YELLOW MEAT #WM171

Extremely rare heirloom from Clay County, Alabama. Our original seed has been stored in a freezer since 1976. Yellow-fleshed watermelons reach 50 lb, and are reputed to be the sweetest, best-tasting yellow-fleshed watermelons grown. Has been grown for at least 100 years. Produced well in spite of drought in our trials. Pkt (25 seeds) \$3.00

Customer, Joseph Miller with his 126.5 Carolina Cross



## CAROLINA CROSS 180 #WM199

90 days. One of the largest types we sell—oblong fruits have reached over 200 lbs! Bright red flesh is sweet and remarkably fine-grained for such a large melon. Needs a long hot summer to reach its full potential. Grow this one for bragging rights! Pkt \$4.25



**CREAM OF SASKATCHEWAN #WM133**

80 days. A beautiful little melon with sweet, tasty, cream-colored flesh! An excellent variety for the North. Fruits around 8-10 lbs each with a striped, green rind. A favorite of those who grow it! An old heirloom. Pkt \$2.50



**CRIMSON SWEET #WM115**

85 days. AAS Winner from 1964, very popular. Crisp and sweet, medium-red flesh, mild flavor. A good producing type that is still quite popular. Pkt \$2.00



**JANOSIK #WM204**

80 days. Yellow-fleshed Polish variety. Oblong fruits to about 10 lbs. The extra sweet, yellow flesh is lovely in contrast with the dark green rinds. Crisp and delicious! Beautiful, uniform fruit and one of the best eating bright yellow types! Pkt \$3.00

*"The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others."  
—Mahatma Gandhi*



**DESERT KING #WM145**

85 days. This watermelon produces 20-lb fruit that have a light pea-green rind that is resistant to sunburning. It is also one of the most drought-resistant varieties of watermelon known. It has sweet, yellow flesh and is very popular in the watermelon-growing areas of Arkansas. Good for storage. Pkt \$2.00



**EARLY MOONBEAM #WM197**

75-80 days. Early and productive yellow-fleshed watermelon, very sweet and delicious! Bred by Dr. Alan Kapuler of Peace Seeds specifically for Oregon conditions, which often tend to be on the cool side. This variety delivers sweet watermelons in cool climates where others often fail. 5-8 lb fruit have thin rinds and an attractive light-green skin with darker-green stripes. Recommended for northern and higher-elevation gardens! Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.25



**GOLDEN MIDGET #WM107**

70 days. A beautiful miniature watermelon that weighs around 3 lbs. It's easy to tell when they are ripe, as the rind turns a lovely golden yellow when ready for harvest, a very beautiful contrast with the salmon-pink-colored flesh. The taste is sweet and refreshing. Very early, matures in just 70 days. Developed by the late Dr. Elwyn Meader, UNH, in 1959. Unique. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$9.00**



**GEORGIA RATTLESNAKE #WM113**

90 days. A longtime Southern favorite, thought to have been developed in Georgia in the 1830's. Its stripes resemble those of a Rattlesnake, hence the name. Sweet, light crimson-colored flesh and large size. Used as a shipping melon; a great old variety. Pkt \$2.50



**MOUNTAIN SWEET YELLOW #WM213**

**NEW!** 90 days. A top choice for growers in the North, this is a yellow fleshed version of mountain sweet- a popular variety widely grown in the Northeast in the 1800s. The 20-35 pound fruits have an exceptionally high sugar content and a gorgeous yellow flesh that is firm. This variety is super reliable, plants are productive and fruits are uniformly high quality, making it a top choice for market growers. Pkt \$3.00



**STRAWBERRY #WM196**

85 days. Flesh is a gorgeous strawberry pink, ripening to within a half-inch of the rind, and usually has very few seeds. Fine grained, distinctively flavored and super sweet; it is classed among the best-tasting by those who have tried it. The oblong, striped fruits reach 15-25 pounds. With moderate disease resistance, this variety deserves to be the star of your summer garden. Originally selected from a Florida heirloom by Walt Childs, and introduced in 1989 by our good friends at Southern Exposure Seed Exchange. Outstanding! Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.75

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**MOON AND STARS #WM121**

95 days. Legendary heirloom variety rediscovered in Macon, Missouri. Can grow to over 40 lbs. The dark green rind has bright yellow spots on it! Spots range in size from tiny to several inches across. Leaves are also speckled in yellow. It has very sweet, brilliant red flesh. This is becoming one of the most popular heirloom varieties, a winner! Originally introduced by Peter Henderson & Co. in 1926, it was called "SUN, MOON AND STARS." The catalog says, "...an extraordinary variation...and that it has such a delicious taste." It was sold then for 20 cents a pkt. Unique variety! Pkt \$2.50



**ROYAL GOLDEN #WM160**

The most beautiful watermelon we carry; the rind of this heirloom turns brilliant golden-yellow when ripe! The distinctive color makes it a snap to know when to harvest and is so beautiful in your garden. The tasty pinkish-red flesh is sweet, crisp and refreshing. This variety is much larger than 'Golden Midget', with fruit weighing 8-25 lbs. We are so happy to offer seed for this great old melon that used to be offered by Willhite Seed of Poolville, Texas, until they discontinued it from their catalog in the 1970s and it almost became extinct. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.25



**MOON AND STARS, YELLOW FLESHED #WM122**

90-95 days. Rare, this is the yellow-meated strain of this fine heirloom; these are very delicious and have beautiful, yellow-orange meat that is very sweet. The large fruit can grow to 40 lbs, and they have large, yellow "Moons and Stars" covering their nearly black rinds. Our favorite variety of the planetary watermelons, it was a real favorite at our 2004 "Heirloom Garden Show". A great variety for farmers' markets. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.75



**SUGAR BABY #WM132**

79 days. The most popular icebox-sized melon among gardeners! Early, 6 to 10-lb melons are great for the North and have sweet, deep red flesh. These also do well in the tropics. Pkt \$2.50

**SUGAR BABY BUSH #WM198**

An ideal plant for gardeners with limited space, the vines of sugar baby bush only reach 3-3 1/2 feet in length. This is an early producer, the juicy and sweet little 12-pound fruit will be ready harvest in 75 to 80 days. Flesh is a deep scarlet; skin is a dark green with no striping. Pkt \$2.50



**ORANGEGLO #WM127 A favorite!**

85 days. Beautiful, deep orange flesh; very sweet, excellent, almost tropical flavor! The best-tasting of ALL orange varieties we tried—the favorite of many who tried it at our place. High yields. Very resistant to wilt and insects; strong healthy vines. These will sell at roadside stands & markets! Introduced by Willhite Seed Co. prior to 1965. Pkt \$2.75 or 1 oz \$8.50



**MISSISSIPPI COB GEM #WM181**

Local selection of Kolb's Gem, reputed to be even bigger and sweeter! Our foundation seed was a gift from Edsel Cliburn of Union, Mississippi, and is particularly recommended to our customers in the Deep South. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



**NAVAJO WINTER #WM185**

85 days. Thick light green to striped rind, medium pink to red crisp, sweet flesh. Fruits have been known to keep for up to four months. Expect unusual drought tolerance from this eminent variety from the American Southwest. Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00



**THAI ROM DAO #WM163 NEW!**

A wonderful icebox-sized melon, incredible, rich watermelon-flavor combined with heavy yields make this little melon a perfect choice for small families. Small fruits weigh about 8 lbs. A striped green rind and bright red flesh that is sweet and tasty. A fun little melon from Thailand. Pkt (25 Seeds) \$2.25

WATERMELON THAT EVE TOOK WE KNOW IT BECAUSE SHE REPENTED. MARK TWAIN

# HERBS

## GROW HERBS FOR HEALTH, WEALTH & FLAVOR!

We offer a great selection of flavorful culinary types and popular medicinal varieties. Everyone should experience the joy of having fresh herbs. Notice: All statements listed in our catalog are for historical information only and are not approved by the FDA. Seek the advice of a qualified health professional before using any herbs for medicinal purposes.



### ASHWAGANDHA #GR138

Indian native plant that is indispensable in Ayurvedic medicine. Widely employed to ward off anxiety and as a sleep aid. The roots are the part that is traditionally used, being available the second year from planting, except in long-season, hot-summer areas, where they may be harvested the first year. The berries look like tiny tomatillos (to which they are indeed related) but are not considered edible, although they have been employed as a rennet substitute in cheese-making. Often referred to as Indian Ginseng because of the many beneficial uses ascribed to it for centuries. Pkt (100 seeds) \$3.00



### ANISE #HB217

Tender perennial usually grown as an annual to 20 inches. An ancient herbal favorite, hailing from the eastern Mediterranean region and cultivated at least since the days of ancient Egypt! Lacy umbels of delicate white flowers give rise to the seeds, which are the parts usually used. Widely appreciated for flavoring baked goods and liqueurs. Also great for use in soups, sauces, stews and salads. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.25



### BASIL, CINNAMON #HB104

Spicy flavor, Mexican variety with a distinct cinnamon like taste. Pkt (50 seeds) \$1.75



### BASIL AROMATO #HB253 **NEW!**

Lovely accent plant for the herb garden, with its columnar habit and large leaves attractively mottled in green and purple. Often start out mostly purple, becoming more green with age. Basil is now finding its way into cut flower arrangements; the rich purple flower spikes make this one especially valuable. Pleasant anise flavor intensifies when dried. To about two feet high, less in width. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.50



### BASIL, BLUE SPICE #HB200

**A SUPER FRAGRANT VARIETY!** (*O. americanum*) Vigorous plant with dense spikes of light purple flowers enclosed in showy deep purple bracts, making for an especially fine appearance in pots or in the garden. Heavy fragrance with spicy vanilla overtones that makes a pleasant contribution to both fruit salads and savory dishes. The most fragrant basil. Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.50



### BASIL, SIAM QUEEN THAI #HB102

Very strong, clove-scented basil. This is a must for curry and all Thai cooking. This selection has beautiful flowers. Very tasty. This improved variety produces very large and lovely flowerheads. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



### BASIL, CORSICAN #HB206

Mediterranean heirloom type from Napoleon's island birthplace off the French and Italian coasts. This versatile type comes in varying degrees of green to purple, often spectacularly mottled in both. A competent culinary type that makes a scintillating contribution in the border as well. Recommended! Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.50



### BASIL, DARK PURPLE OPAL #HB106

A beautiful and ornamental variety; deep purple. Italian basil flavor. Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.50



### BASIL, EMILY #HB194

Compact version of the classic Genovese type that is superior for pot culture, having shorter stem-length between leaf nodes. Widely recognized to be longer-lasting when cut, all of which make "Emily" a better subject for market growers and home gardeners. Pkt (150 seeds) \$2.50

## HERBS ARE GOOD FOR BEES AND BUTTERFLIES AND ARE EASY TO GROW!



### **BASIL, ERITREAN #HB231 *NEW!***

Native to the small country of Eritrea on the horn of Africa, this strong scented and beautiful basil was introduced to Seed Savers Exchange by an exchange student from Africa. Plants are compact reaching 30 inches tall with spicy aroma and cream to pink colored flowers. Used in traditional African cuisine. Pkt (40 seeds) \$2.50



### **BASIL, GENOVESE #HB101**

68 days. The famous Italian heirloom is very popular with many cooks. Pkt (40 seeds) \$2.50 or **1 oz \$8.00**



### **BASIL, GREEK DWARF #HB144**

Cute little compact plants are only 6" tall and are great for growing in containers. It has a spicy, slightly anise flavor and is a must for Greek cooking. Pkt (100 seeds) \$1.75



### **BASIL, LEMON #HB107**

Wonderful lemon fragrance & taste, a real culinary delight. Used regularly in our kitchens. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



### **BASIL, LETTUCE LEAF #HB108**

Amazing size and flavor! Huge 3"-5" leaves; Japanese basil with a great flavor. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.00



### **BASIL, LIME #HB103**

A unique lime-flavored basil from Thailand. Popular variety for fresh market! Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



### **BASIL MAMMOLO #HB252 *NEW!***

A superb container variety, mammolo has been bred for exceptionally high leaf to stem ratio and a compact growth habit. Plants are super bushy and leaves are large with a classic Italian basil aroma and flavor without the minty smell and flavor that some experience with Italian basil. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



### **BASIL, PERSIAN #HB207**

Really interesting and flavorful! Known as Reyhan throughout the varied nations of southwestern Asia. Has a distinctive aroma, both lemony and spicelike. Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.50



### **BASIL, THAI HOLY "KAPRAO" #HB142**

A popular herb in Thai cuisine, the fragrant purplish-green leaves can be used in potpourri and have a spicy, sweet, clove-like flavor. A religious herb of the Hindus. Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.25



### **BASIL, THAI SWEET #HB166**

Popular sweet, spicy basil that is essential in Thai cuisine. Very flavorful with a nice licorice taste. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



### **BEE BALM, LEMON #HB124**

(*Monarda citriodora*) An annual, lemon-flavored variety. Superb tea plant; striking pink-purple flowers, beautiful and tasty. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



### **BEE BALM, RED COLORS #HB261 *NEW!***

(*Monarda didyma*) Perennial. Beloved by ancient Native Americans as a medicinal plant. We love bee balm for the dazzling red blooms and its uncanny ability to attract droves of hummingbirds to the garden. This member of the mint family is easy to grow, thrives in poor soil and will readily spread to fill blank spaces. Tall 3-5 foot plants look great along the back border. Blooms will last from mid-to-late summer and well into fall if dead-headed. Naturally resistant to deer. The spidery red blooms not only lure hummingbirds, but bees and butterflies, as well. Pkt (40 seeds) \$3.00





**BORAGE #HB139**

(*Borago officinalis*) Cucumber-flavored fresh leaves are added to salads, cooked, or made into a cooling drink. The blue flowers are used as a garnish. Makes a good honey plant. Also used medicinally. Pkt (60 seeds) \$2.00 or **1 oz \$5.00**



**BURDOCK, GREAT #HB197**

(*Arctium lappa*) Renowned traditional medicinal plant in Europe, North America and China, used historically as a diuretic. It has also been used in cases of snakebite, skin diseases and burns, fevers, and women's complaints. Rhubarb-like leaves yield nutritious stalks that are cooked like celery; young roots are eaten raw or prepared like parsnips. The sticky seeds can be sprouted and have been used as buttons! How much more can one plant offer? Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



**CATNIP #HB127**

The herb that drives cats wild is also medicinal; used in a tasty herbal tea for colds and flu. Vigorous plant. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.00



**CHAMOMILE, GERMAN #HB118**

(*Matricaria recutita*) Beautiful, small flowers make a relaxing tea with a sweet, fruity fragrance; medicinal. Attractive plants. Pkt (300 seeds) \$2.25



**CHERVIL #HB188**

(*Anthriscus cerefolium*) Traditionally used in French cooking, where the slightly anise-like flavor of the leaves is appreciated when added to eggs, vegetable and fish dishes. Leaves are added at the very last minute of cooking, to preserve the delicate flavor. Small white flowers atop 15-20 inch stems. Also known as French parsley. Pkt (400 seeds) \$1.75



**CHINESE CHIVES #HB111**

(*Allium tuberosum*) These winter-tolerant chives are great for greenhouse production. They have great garlic flavor and are popular with Asian chefs. We love 'em. Pkt (300 seeds) \$1.75



**CILANTRO #HB125**

(*Coriandrum sativum*) Popular in Mexican cuisine, this herb is a must for all salsa and chili recipes; delicious and flavorful. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.00 or **1 oz \$5.00**



**CILANTRO, SLO-BOLT #HB143**

(*Coriandrum sativum*) This is a slow-bolting version of Cilantro/Coriander that produces flavorful leaves over a longer period. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



**CHIVES, COMMON #HB135**

Wonderful, mild onion flavor. These long, thin chives are excellent in many meals; great raw or cooked. Lavender flowers. Pkt (300 seeds) \$2.50



**CORIANDER, LARGE SEEDED #HB205**

(*Coriandrum sativum*) Early-bolting seed type is intended for use of the seed, which are true coriander; however the leaves may be harvested sparingly for cilantro. Very productive, and fresh coriander is so much nicer than the dried seeds in cooking! Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.25



**CORIANDER, DWARF LEMON #HB262**

**NEW!** A subtle citrus flavor adds a welcome twist to this ancient herb. There is no limit to the culinary potential! Compact plants and seeds are all super flavorful! Pkt (40 seeds) \$2.50



**CUMIN #HB152**

(*Cuminum cyminum*) The flavorful seeds are an important ingredient in many Mexican dishes; also used in bread and cakes. Small, tender, crawling plants reach about 6" tall. Pkt (100 seeds) \$1.75



**DILL, BOUQUET #HB126**

(*Anethum graveolens*) Early to flower with large seed heads. Excellent in pickles and used to flavor many other foods. Easy to grow. Pkt (300 seeds) \$2.50



**DILL, ELEPHANT #HB180**

A very aromatic, late-flowering variety that has nice green color and is productive. Pkt (300 seeds) \$2.00



**DOCK, BLOODY (RED SORREL) #HB189**

(*Rumex sanguineus*) Stunning foliage plant with elongated, medium green leaves, exquisitely veined in a brilliant burgundy-purple. A hardy perennial, it quickly forms an attractive clump, which sends up red flower-clusters in early summer, followed by brown seed heads. A superb, deer-resistant accent plant. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



**ECHINACEA PURPUREA #HB119**

A beautiful, purple wildflower and well-known medicinal herb with numerous uses. Excellent. Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.50



**ECHINACEA PARADOXA OR OZARK YELLOW CONEFLOWER #HB171**

Like the pale purple coneflower, but these are a bright golden-yellow color. Brilliant blooms do well in fairly dry, rocky soil like is found on many of the Ozark hills here in Missouri and Arkansas; this is the region where this unique coneflower is native. Used by Native Americans as a traditional medicine, it is being researched today for its herbal uses. It can be hard to find even here in Southern Missouri, but is rather easy to grow. Pkt (30 seeds) \$2.50



**ECHINACEA TENNESSEENSIS #HB238**

Tennessee Purple Coneflower. Perennial. Here's a chance to grow a really rare native species! This species is almost extinct in the wild, being native only to dry glades in the hills and mountains of Tennessee. Appearance is similar to the more common types of Purple Coneflowers, except that the ray flower petals tend to be narrow and not usually reflexed. This makes the starlike flowers unusually showy in an understated way. Flower heads reach 18-30 inches in height. The plants take dry soil and fairly hot-summer conditions. Great for dry banks and roadside plantings. Pkt (30 seeds) \$3.00



**ECHINACEA PALLIDA #HB242**

(*Echinacea pallida*) This is an excellent choice for those who like the company of hummingbirds and butterflies in their garden. Native to the eastern half of the U.S and up to Canada, this is a super adaptable and easy to grow flower that the Native Americans held in high esteem as a powerful medicinal. They require very little care, as long as they aren't excessively moist, they will thrive just about anywhere. Pkt (30 seeds) \$2.50



**FENNEL, BRONZE #HB198**

(*Foeniculum vulgare*) Very decorative bronze-hued lacy foliage. Its unusual color makes a striking accent plant, a sophisticated addition in salads, or an elegant garnish. Seeds may, of course, be used like those of any fennel. Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.50



**FENNEL, FLORENCE #HB128**

(*Foeniculum vulgare*) Plant grows like dill. Used in Italian cooking; tasty. Very easy to grow. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.00



**FENUGREEK #HB136**

(*Trigonella foenum-graecum*) The aromatic leaves are a popular potherb in India. Also used in curry powder, in imitation flavorings, and as a coffee substitute. The seeds make a tasty tea. Popular in western Asia and the Mediterranean. Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.00



**LAVENDER, MUNSTEAD STRAIN #HB213**  
 (*Lavandula vera*) Perennial. Compact, superior Northern-hardy strain. The plants seldom exceed a foot in height. Use the fragrant spikes as you would any lavender—potpourris, sachets, dried arrangements, etc. The silvery-gray foliage is elegant even when out of flower. A reliable as well as beautiful old-fashioned garden favorite. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.75



**LEMON BALM #HB117**  
 (*Melissa officinalis*) Deliciously lemon-flavored; great in tea. A vigorous, hardy plant. Pkt (300 seeds) \$2.50



**LEMONGRASS #HB162**  
 (*Cymbopogon citratus*) The famous, tropical lemon-flavored herb of Thai cuisine. It has long, slender, pale green stems that are thick and fleshy. I just love the wonderful flavor this herb adds to soups, curries and stir-fries. We enjoy cooking with it often. This perennial must be grown in warm weather or inside to keep from freezing. We are pleased to offer this rare and much requested seed. Pkt (60 seeds) \$3.00



**HYSSOP, KOREAN #HB208**  
 (*Agastache rugosa*) Perennial, more robust relative to Anise Hyssop, with similar flavor and overall appearance except that, at four feet tall, it is much larger. One of the 50 Fundamental Herbs in Chinese traditional medicine, this plant has been studied in recent times for antibacterial properties. Makes a wonderful base for herbal tea blends and makes a definitive statement in the garden! Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.25



**LAVENDER #HB112**  
 (*Lavandula vera*) Famous for fragrance, the lavender-colored blossoms are used in potpourris, soaps, etc. A great old-time cottage garden plant. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.25



**HYSSOP, BLUE #HB123**  
 (*Hyssopus officinalis*) Excellent for attracting bees and butterflies, bright blue flowers; a superb antiviral plant that many use to treat flus, etc. Pkt (125 seeds) \$1.50



**HYSSOP, ANISE #HB122**  
 (*Agastache foeniculum*) This herb is used to make one of the best herb teas; the leaves possess a naturally sweet, wonderful anise taste and fragrance. Lovely purple flowers that bees love; many uses, including medicinal. Pkt (125 seeds) \$2.50



**LION'S TAIL OR WILD DAGGA #HB167**  
 (*Leonotis nepetifolia*) A member of the mint family, it is native to Southern Africa and is used as a folk medicine among the native peoples for treating numerous ailments, and has shown some promise in studies. Tall, evergreen tropical plant produces loads of stunning peachy-orange flowers. Caution: this plant is a mild narcotic. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.00



**LOVAGE #HB153**

(*Levisticum officinalis*) Flavorful, dark green leaves and yellow flowers; the leaves and seeds are used for flavoring stews, soups, salads, pickles, and more. Nice celery taste. The hardy plants can be grown in most of the North. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.00



**MILK THISTLE #HB168**

(*Silybum marianum*) This biennial is a lovely plant with glossy green leaves with silver veins. Historically used for many tonics, and is said to be good for the liver. Pkt (40 seeds) \$1.75



**MILKWEED, RED OR SWAMP #HB229**

(*Asclepias incarnata*) Perennial. Rosy-pink-flowered milkweed that is the best choice for moist locations, as it is native to wet ground throughout much of North America. Supports the Monarch and other butterfly populations as well as bees and hummingbirds. The sweet vanilla fragrance, and large numbers of flowers, support the gardener's enjoyment as well. May reach 5 feet tall in favored locations. (CAUTION: The milky sap is poisonous if ingested in large quantities, and contact with the skin may cause dermatitis in sensitive individuals.) Pkt (40 seeds) \$2.50



**MARJORAM #HB137**

(*Majorana hortensis*) A fragrant and flavorful herb that is a popular seasoning. Easy to grow. Pkt (800 seeds) \$2.50



**MILKWEED, SUNSET FLOWER #HB169**

(*Asclepias curassavica*) There are beautiful reddish-orange flower clusters on this tropical milkweed that grows as an annual here. This plant is used in traditional medicine of Central America and the Caribbean. Warning: Can be toxic, only for use by medical professionals. Pkt (30 seeds) \$2.50



**MARSHMALLOW #HB190**

(*Althaea officinalis*) African native. The original source of an Egyptian confection which evolved into today's marshmallows. The roots and velvety leaves have been eaten as a vegetable for centuries, often fried with onion and garlic. 3-4 foot stems of 1-2 inch, white-to-pink flowers are reminiscent of hollyhocks, to which this plant is related. The plant is also renowned in various folk cultures for its medicinal properties. Pkt (35 seeds) \$2.25



**MILKWEED, BUTTERFLY WEED #HB228**

(*A. Tuberosa*) Perennial. The hardy native Milkweed is essential to the survival of Monarch butterflies. Mature butterflies feed on the nectar produced in the flowers, while the foliage provides food for their larvae. The brilliant orange and yellow flowers are showy in massed plantings, but fascinating up close, with their intricate detail. The three-foot plant is native throughout the eastern and southern regions of the country, usually preferring drier sites, and should be hardy except at very high elevations. Very durable and long-lived once established, and may gently increase on its own in favorable locations. (CAUTION: The milky sap is poisonous if ingested in large quantities, and contact with the skin may cause dermatitis in sensitive individuals.) Pkt (40 seeds) \$2.50



**MOLDAVIAN BALM, DRAGONHEAD #HB204**

(*Dracocephalum moldavicum*) Eurasian native that has been cultivated for centuries. The minty-lemony leaves and large purple flowers have long been used in a tea for reputed herbal benefits, including "lightening a discouraged heart." Beloved by bees, like all the mint tribe. Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.75

**Moringa leaves contain 46 antioxidants!**



**MORINGA, DWARF #HB245 Easy to grow as an annual in the North!**

This is a very special dwarf variety from India. Unlike other varieties of moringa, this tree will remain short and is very well suited to container growing, which makes growing it in the U.S much easier. Moringa is native to the tropics and the subtropics; container growing will allow you to bring your tree inside for the winter. This plant is prized for its very high-protein leaves, its rich concentration of minerals and vitamins and its heavy load of anti-oxidants! Leaves, blooms, seeds and immature seedpods, called "drumsticks", are edible; seeds are source of a high quality oil. **WARNING:** Roots are reputed to be poisonous, do not eat! Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.50



**OREGANO, VULGARE #HB131**

(*Origanum vulgare*) This is a beautiful and delicious Italian flavoring herb. Also medicinal. Great for Italian and Greek cooking. Pkt (400 seeds) \$2.25



**OREGANO, WILD ZAAATAR #HB174**

(*Origanum syriaca*) We offer seeds from Israel for this plant that grows wild in Israel, Jordan and surrounding areas. Doubtless a common herb in Bible times, and still one of the tastiest! It has great flavor that blends hints of Oregano, Thyme and Marjoram. A favorite. Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.50



**PARSLEY, GIANT OF ITALY #HB133**

A very large Italian strain of parsley with great flavor. Perfect for sauces. Pkt (400 seeds) \$2.00



**PARSLEY, HAMBURG ROOTED #HB134**

This tasty heirloom dates to the pre-1600s and is grown for its large, flavorsome roots that make superb soups and stews, or baked. Leaves are also delicious. Pkt (400 seeds) \$1.50 or **1 oz \$5.00**



**PURSLANE, GREEN #HB151**

(*Portulaca oleracea*) Low, crawling plant produces tender stems and juicy leaves that are excellent added to salads. A popular green in Mexico that was favored by my Hispanic grandmother. Also used in herbal healing plans. Pkt (300 seeds) \$2.00



**ROSEMARY, ROSY #HB218**

(*Rosmarina officinalis*) Tender perennial to 30 inches. The plant has been used for centuries both medicinally and in the kitchen. Small evergreen shrub is covered with needle-like aromatic leaves and a myriad of tiny pink or blue flowers in summer. Perennial in mild-winter climates; elsewhere, grow in containers for overwintering indoors. The dark green leaves may be used fresh or dried. Flowers are beloved by bees. We offer select seed, that is easier to start, but it still can be somewhat challenging. The plants are lovely and can live for years with proper care. Pkt (35 seeds) \$3.00



**RUE, HERB O' GRACE #HB191**

(*Ruta graveolens*) Historic herb whose use dates back to ancient times—rue is mentioned in the New Testament. The evergreen plants are a rich sea-green, quite distinctive even from a distance, forming a compact mound in the herb garden. Thrives in poor sandy soils and hot, dry sites. Pkt (100 seeds) \$1.75



**SAGE, BROAD LEAF #HB147**

(*Salvia officinalis*) Used in Europe and America to flavor many meats, stuffings, vinegars, and more! Fragrant leaves are also used in potpourri. 20"-tall gray-green plants are quite attractive. Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.00



**SHUNGIKU EDIBLE CHRYSANTHEMUM**

**#HB129** (*Chrysanthemum coronarium*) Delicious green leaves are great in salads and stir-fries. The brilliant yellow flowers are also tasty! A beautiful Oriental heirloom, very colorful. Pkt (125 seeds) \$2.50



**STEVIA #HB175**

(*Stevia rebaudiana*) A hard-to-find herb that is grown for the famous Stevia leaves which, when dried, are used to sweeten drinks and desserts. Much sweeter than sugar; stevia powder is reported to be 300 times sweeter! Not winter-hardy, except in zones 8-10. From Brazil and Paraguay. The chemical companies who make artificial sweeteners hate this plant, and have tried to make it illegal. But I just love it! Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.75



**SWEETIE STAR STEVIA #HB223**

Sweetie Star has finer leaves than common Stevia strains. We believe this strain is the sweetest Stevia on the market grown from seeds. Pkt (15 seeds) \$4.00



**SAFFLOWER, DARK ORANGE-RED**

**#HB254 NEW!**

Annual. Fantastic deep orange petals that make an excellent saffron substitute. This uncanny similarity to saffron is responsible for safflower's nickname as "poor man's saffron". Not only useful in the kitchen, Dark Orange-Red is a gorgeous ornamental that is a well disguised garden tool. The stiff almost prickly plants have been used for centuries as natural fencing to keep animals out of the garden. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



**SAFFLOWER, ORANGE-HEAD #HB225**

**NEW!** Annual. Flaming orange heads pop in the garden. This brilliant shade can be savored forever if you turn the bright petals into a dye for wool or cloth. Also known as "poor man's saffron" safflower can be used just like the highly sought after and decadent culinary spice--safflower does not have the flavor of saffron, but it does mimic the color perfectly. Plants are highly ornamental and sustainable, they are hard and prickly, making a great natural fence and the deep tap root breaks up tight packed soil to aerate and bring nutrients from deep below the surface for other plants to use. This is the most sustainable ornamental around! Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



**SAFFLOWER, GRENADE MIX #HB255**

**NEW!** Annual. Creamy ivory, lemon yellow and bright saffron orange thistle-like flowers atop prickly plants. Individual blooms are small but produced in great numbers, from midsummer on. Earlier blooming than many safflowers. Safflowers are a source of healthful oilseed, which the birds like as well. Also is useful as a dye plant. Widely grown in Europe, but gaining appreciation here. 30-inch plants are equally at home in the herb garden or the border. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



**SORREL, GREEN DE BELLEVILLE #HB202**

(*Rumex acetosa*) Sorrel is appreciated in native cuisines throughout Europe and in many parts of Asia and Africa as well. A perennial, it is available in early spring, before many annual crops have even been sown! The lemony tartness of the young succulent leaves gives a tangy twist to salads. Widely used in soups; combine with spinach for an authentic spanakopita. This cultivated variety with clear green leaves is much slower bolting than the wild species. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.00



**STINGING NETTLE #HB203**

(*Urtica dioica*) Yes, it's the very same plant that causes unwary hikers such discomfort! But drying or cooking eliminates the sting, and the attractive plants have a long history of use in herbal medicine, as a medicinal shampoo and reputed to alleviate symptoms in cases of arthritis, enlarged prostate, and many other complaints. Also used in salt-reduced diets. Young shoots taste like spinach and are rich in vitamins and iron. Nettle is one of the foundations of Biodynamic practices. Pkt (800 seeds) \$2.00



**SUMMER SAVORY #HB138**

(*Satureja hortensis*) Delicious peppery flavor that is popular in beans and many other dishes; also used medicinally. Pkt (250 seeds) \$1.75



**TANSY #HB220**

(*Tanacetum vulgare*) Perennial, to 4 feet. Fern-like, aromatic leaves, with a fragrance reminiscent of camphor and rosemary. Mature plants produce heads of attractive yellow button-like flowers, interesting when grown at the back of an herb border. Dried tansy has historically been used to repel insects like moths and ants; the plant also yields a traditional green dye. Not recommended for culinary use. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



**SHISHO or PERILLA "PURPLE ZI SU"**

**#HB155** (*Perilla frutescens*) A beautiful and delicious plant that is very popular in Asia. The purple-red leaves are used to color and flavor vinegar and to make beautiful pink rice. They are great in salads; flavor is a mix of basil and mint. Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.50



**TARRAGON, RUSSIAN #HB145**

A flavorful herb that is used to season salads, meats, and other dishes; hardy plants grow to 40". Used fresh or dried. Pkt (175 seeds) \$2.00



**THYME #HB113**

(*T. vulgaris*) Very aromatic and flavorful; not winter hardy. Pkt (800 seeds) \$2.50



**THYME, WILD #HB214**

(*Thymus pulegioides*) Perennial. (Also known as creeping thyme) Spreading perennial that forms thick mats with tight clusters of rose-purple flowers. Very fragrant; useful for planting between stepping stones and at the edge of walkways, where its vigorous growth habit is a virtue. Used in cooking and for medicinal purposes; anti-fungal action has been documented for this species. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.25



**VALERIAN #HB221**

(*Valeriana officinalis*) Perennial. (Also known as Garden Heliotrope) Delicate-looking, low-growing plants give rise to 4-foot, charming clusters of tiny pale pink flowers June-September; very attractive in borders or herb gardens. Extracted fragrance of the flowers was used in perfumes in the Renaissance. Valerian was touted for its medicinal properties for centuries, and modern research has confirmed its value. The root has been the part most used, having been recommended as a pain reliever, sedative, and to allay migraine, but most importantly, to relieve insomnia. (We make no recommendation and any use of herbs should be undertaken only under medical supervision.) Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.25



**WORMWOOD #HB115** (*Artemisia absinthium*)

Silvery-grey leaves, a beautiful plant; ornamental. Traditionally used to expel worms, and as a bitter tonic; hardy. Pkt (500 seeds) \$2.00



**FERTILIZER OR VELVET BEAN #BN183**

**NEW!** (*Mucuna pruriens*) Excellent soil-builder, which is its main use in Belize, where our seed was grown. This plant has also been considered a powerful medicinal crop in Ayurvedic medicine since ancient times to treat a host of ailments from anxiety to parasitic infections to snake bites. Now the plant is used to treat the effects of Parkinsons Disease. Seeds can also be roasted and used as a non-caffinated coffee substitute. In Belize, it's called the fertilizer bean. Rampant vines produce tons of organic matter where summers are long, hot and humid. And being a legume, it fixes nitrogen in the soil. Velvet bean is often used as a quick annual fodder or silage crop. Makes gorgeous large trusses of lilac to deep purple flowers, reminiscent of wisteria. Where seasons are long enough, it produces spotted beans which can be eaten after proper pre-soaking treatment. Also highly regarded among many herbal traditions for a variety of ailments. Minute hairs on flowers and seed pods can cause intense itching, explaining another of its common names--Cow Itch Plant. Please consult with a doctor before treating any ailments with herbal remedies, we do not make any medical suggestions, only educating about potential plant uses, always consult a professional first. Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.75

**TOOTHACHE PLANT**

(*Spilanthes acmella*) Also know as buzz buttons or the electric daisy, toothache plant is one of our favorite herbs. It's a pretty little flower with a fun secret; eating the flowers will cause your mouth to tingle and feel numb. The sensation is nothing dangerous, actually the gentle numbing is used in herbal medicine as an all natural remedy for toothaches and other oral pain. Aside from being fun to prank your friends with, toothache plant has a laundry list of impressive medicinal properties. Compounds in the plant are believed to have antimicrobial and antibacterial properties, to name just a few. The fun little flowers belong to the daisy family and are related to echinacea. Some of the supposed medicinal benefits are similar to that of echinacea, like immune support. The plants are believed to have originated in Brazil. Aside from fresh eating you can also find toothache plant in powdered form or as a tincture. The flowers are also said to contain a compound that will kill mosquitoes. It is a tender perennial but can be easily grown as an annual in most areas.



**TOOTHACHE PLANT, BULLS EYE #HB160**

With a bright bulls eye on the tip of each flower, these funky little flowers look great in a border, especially when planted in mass. As potent as they are beautiful, these flowers pack a punch. Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.50



**TOOTHACHE PLANT, YELLOW #HB250**

These potent little flowers are a pretty yellow throughout. Stocky plants produce a profusion of canary-colored flowers that are incredibly potent. Flowers retain their numbing qualities when dried or made into a tincture. Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.50



**WHITE HOREHOUND #HB192** (*Marrubium vulgare*)

This is the traditional remedy for coughs, having earned its place in the herb garden! Mounds of silvery foliage, around 18 inches tall and somewhat broader, last all season long in most climates. White flowers in season are pretty but not really showy. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



**YARROW, CERISE QUEEN #HB234**

(*A. millefolium*) Perennial. Brilliant pink flowers, borne in typical yarrow fashion: hundreds of tiny blooms, in flat clusters, are produced with abandon until late autumn. Same carefree ways as white yarrow, and the same foot-tall plants with fernlike foliage, but the color really makes an impression! Pkt (800 seeds) \$2.25



**YARROW, COLORADO MIX #HB235**

(*Achillea millefolium*) Perennial. Mix of blood red, cerise, cream, yellow and white. All the good traits of yarrow, but in an irresistible blend of colors. The large flower clusters are in reality made up of scores of tiny daisies, last a long time and bloom until very cold weather. Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.00



**COMMON YARROW #HB114**

(*Achillea millefolium*) Beautiful when used as a dried flower. Also popular as an herb; used for colds, fevers, and for healing wounds. An easy to grow wildflower that provides quite a country charm over a long season. Pkt (800 seeds) \$2.00



**YARROW, POLISH PASTELS MIX #HB244 NEW!**

(*Achillea millefolium*) This mix offers an electrifying mix of colors that breathes life into the landscape. Yarrow is an ancient herb that has been appreciated for centuries as a healing plant. Ancient Native Americans chewed the leaves for toothaches, and an ancient Chinese proverb claims that yarrow brightens the eyes and promotes intelligence. Yarrow is a keystone plant for the drought tolerant garden and is frequently grown in butterfly gardens, the roots also help to prevent erosion. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.00



**BUTTERFLY PEA #HB246**

This is a single flower butterfly pea; beautiful, simplistic blue flowers are used in herbal medicine and Asian cuisine. The vines climb a trellis or arbor beautifully, and they produce tons of little flowers throughout the summer. It is very easy to harvest the flowers and dry to make an amazing deep blue tea that is said to be effective in calming the mind. In Thailand the natural blue coloring is used in many foods, like sticky rice, giving a wonderful color and slight flavor. Fun to grow! Pkt (15 seeds) \$2.75

# FLOWER SEED

FOR BEAUTY, FRAGRANCE AND THE BEES!

We are glad to be able to offer a good selection of old cottage garden flower varieties. Flowers bring so much joy and beauty to any garden. The old flowers seem to have disappeared even faster than their vegetable cousins. Today we can only dream about many of the superbly beautiful and fragrant flower varieties the Victorians grew.

**Warning: some are very poisonous. Do not use for food unless you are sure they are edible.**

**FLOWERS:** Should all be grown in full sun, in moderately rich, moist soil except as noted.

**ANNUALS:** Seed should be started in spring. Most can be started indoors and plants set out after danger of frost is past. Or sow in place after frost season.

**BIENNIAL:** Plants usually grow one year to flower in the second year. Many occasionally live over as short-lived perennials.

**HARDY ANNUALS:** Seed may be started in the spring or sown outdoors or in cold frames the previous autumn.

**HARDY PERENNIALS:** May be sown spring or fall. Many will bloom from the second year on.

**TENDER PERENNIALS:** True perennials in their mild native climates; not winter hardy in temperate zone climates and therefore usually grown like annuals. Preferably started very early in the spring for transplanting after warm spring weather has arrived.

## ASTERS-CHINA

(*Callistephus chinensis*) Asters originated in China. Annual. (200 seeds per Pkt)



**GIANT PERFECTION MIX #FL101**

Beautiful, long-lasting cut flowers, an old-fashioned favorite. Peony-type, extra-large flowers that are great for cutting. This formula mix has all the best colors. This variety is popular with home and market growers. Pkt \$1.50

## AGERATUM



**(AGERATUM HOUSTONIANUM)**

**AGERATUM MIX #FL885 NEW!**

Annual. Old-fashioned favorite in gentle pastel tones of lavender, blue and white. Ageratum flowers make a lot of nectar and support beneficial insect populations. They are also a choice plant for the front of the border, in rock gardens and more. So precious. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.00



**LEDA #FL887 NEW!**

Annual. Extra abundant producer of blooms! Miniature daisies in clusters, with petals so fine they look like glistening silk thread, giving them their common name of Floss Flower. Each bloom is bi-colored a soft lavender-blue to white. The soothing tones make an ideal foil for warmer colors in summer ornamental beds. Blooms all summer long, height to 8". Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



## **ABUTILON**

(FLOWERING MAPLE) (Edible)



### **BELLVUE MIXED #FL904**

(Abutilon X) South American native often called "Flowering Maple" for the shape of the delicate-looking leaves. Ours flower in shades of muted orange, red and yellow; the large, crepe-like blooms look like miniature hibiscus flowers, to which it is related. Charming pot or container plant. An old-fashioned favorite! Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.25

## **AMMI VISNAGA**



### **AMMI, BISHOP'S FLOWER #FL886 NEW!**

Annual. Sometimes called False Queen Anne's Lace, but the dainty flower clusters are much more delicate and fancy looking than their namesake. Makes wonderful filler in arrangements; adds an airy touch in the border as well. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50

## **BACHELOR'S BUTTON**

(Edible) (Centaurea cyanus) Hardy annual. Often self-sows. Bachelor's Buttons were brought to America in the 17th century. (150 seeds per pkt)



### **BLUE BOY #FL160**

Colorful blue, double flowers on tall 3' plants, bloom all season. Very easy to grow. It is a self-seeding annual, so you will not have to replant. Pkt \$2.50



### **CLASSIC ARTISTIC MIX #FL157**

Hardy annual. Balanced formula-mix of assorted Bachelor Buttons of mostly two-toned color patterns. The spectrum runs from sky blue through royal blue, deep burgundy to reds, rose, pinks, and white. Lends wonderful color to beds, borders and especially to old-style cottage garden designs, and makes a perfect cut flower too! Truly an artistic new spin to an old classic favorite. Pkt \$2.75

## **BALSAM** (Edible)

(Impatiens balsamina) Annual. Thrives in heat.



### **CAMELIA FLOWERED MIX #FL120**

Pre-1870 heirloom. Beautiful rose-shaped blooms in many colors: Pink, Lavender, Red, Rose, White, and more. Short bushy plants have large bright green leaves. Very easy to grow. A must for Victorian gardeners. Pkt (65 seeds) \$2.00 or 1 oz \$7.00

## **BELLS OF IRELAND**



**BELLS OF IRELAND #FL140** Hardy annual. (Moluccella laevis) Tiny white flowers in large green bell-shaped calyxes. Great as a cut flower, fresh or dried. This old-time plant has been cultivated since 1570. Very easy to grow. Pkt (125 seeds) \$2.50

## **BLACK-EYED SUSAN VINE**



### **BLACK-EYED SUSAN VINE MIX #FL917**

(Thunbergia alata) Tender perennial grown as an annual. Trumpet-shaped, 5-petaled tubular flowers in a warm mix of yellows, oranges and golds. Bearing 2-inch flowers with dark purple-black throats, this East African native is showy trained up a trellis, in hanging baskets, or in pots. Mature plants grown in a frost-free environment may climb 20 feet; expect 6- to 8-foot plants when grown as an annual. Pkt (25 seeds) \$3.00

## **BALLOON FLOWER**



### **BLUE BALLOON FLOWER #FL956 (Edible)**

(Platycodon grandiflora) This is a lovely and unique perennial. The blooms will expand like an inflated balloon until they burst open into a gorgeous blue star. Two-foot tall plants will set off tons of explosive little blooms late into the season when many flowers are spent. The roots are appreciated for having antimicrobial, antibacterial and other medicinal qualities. Roots are used in Asian food. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50

## **CACTUS**



### **CACTI MIXED #FL909**

Formula mix featuring diverse plant habits, flower forms and colors. Fascinating subjects for houseplant or greenhouse. Cacti are usually slow growers and very long-lived in suitable conditions. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.75

## CASTOR BEAN

(*Ricinus communis*) Annual. Persists as a shrub in very mild-winter climates. **Very Poisonous!** (15 seeds per pkt)



### GIANT ZANZIBARIENSIS #FL281

This giant castor bean will take center stage in any garden. Magnificent plants can grow over 15' in the first season, and the leaves can reach 3' across! A true monster that gets big in most climates and really huge in warm climates. Provides a quick, tropical-like shade. Warning: the seeds and plants are very poisonous. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.50



### RED GIANT #FL175

Large, dusky-red leaves have bright-red veining and stems. Dark seed pods are very exotic looking, being covered in deep red spikes. Warning: the seeds and plants are very poisonous. Pkt (15 seeds) \$3.50

## CALENDULA (Edible)

(*Calendula officinalis*) Hardy annual. Often self-sows. (125 seeds per pkt)



### BALL'S IMPROVED ORANGE #FL205

Pretty, double, 3" flowers are a deep orange color. They are great as cut flowers or as a tasty garnish in salads and add color to many dishes. Pkt \$1.75



### ORANGE KING #FL208

Massive, double calendula flowers in a beautiful shade of brilliant orange make this variety a true king of calendulas. Pkt \$1.75



### PACIFIC BEAUTY MIX #FL200

Lovely flowers up to 4" in colors of orange, apricot, yellow, peach, and cream. An historic heirloom garden plant that was known as "Pot Marigold." A colorful addition to any garden. Pkt \$1.75 or 1 oz \$6.00



### SNOW PRINCESS #FL227 **NEW!**

Behold an almost pure white calendula that will undergo a beautiful transformation right before your eyes! Unopened blooms are a lemoncurd yellow. As the petals unfurl, a brilliant almost pure white is revealed with a dark center-- a stunning contrast! This fascinating flowering show will continue from late spring through the fall on tidy 2 foot plants. Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.75



### RED DEVIL #FL146 **NEW!**

With its dual colored petals, contrasting bright orange tops and a deep crimson underside, red devil calendula creates a stunning optical illusion. An eye-catching twist on a reliable border plant. Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.25



### SOLAR FLASHBACK MIX #FL198

A charming new release from renowned breeder Frank Morton. Double flowers run the gamut of calendula colors, including a lot of yellows, cream-to-ivory tones, with a fair amount of soft pinks—all with the underside of each petal in contrasting maroon. Lovely, and a new direction in this old cottage garden favorite. Pkt (50 seeds) \$3.50

## CANDYTUFT

Hardy perennial. (125 seeds per pkt)



### FAIRYLAND DWARF MIX #FL002

(*Iberis umbellata*) This dwarf plant adds an old-fashioned charm to the garden, with its lovely flowers in candy-colored shades of red, pink, lavender and white. This plant flowers quickly and makes pretty dried seed heads. Pkt \$1.75



## **CANTERBURY BELLS**

### **CANTERBURY BELLS MIXED #FL150**

(Campanula) Tall spikes of long-lasting, bell-shaped flowers, in rich tones of purple, lavender, reds, pinks, yellows and white to cream. A cottage-garden staple for centuries. Makes a fine cut flower. It was offered by Comstock, Ferre & Co. in 1856. Pkt (500 seeds) \$2.00

## **CELOSIA & COCKSCOMB (Edible)**



### **DWARF CORAL GARDEN MIX #FL266**

Beautiful color on short, dwarf plants; these can produce large heads that sometimes reach 8" across, although they vary. A perfect bedding plant that adds vibrant colors to any garden; even the smallest can fit in a few of these. Pkt (125 seeds) \$2.00



### **PAMPAS PLUME MIX #FL905**

(Celosia plumosa) To 28-48". Full-sized plume-type celosia. The soft, feathery plumes come in a range of colors. Arresting at the back of the border; sensational in arrangements. Holds color well as a dried flower. Summer garden workhorse thrives in heat and dry conditions. Pkt (125 seeds) \$2.00



### **TORNADO RED #FL274 NEW!**

Massive 8-12 inch magenta heads teeter atop tall plants with lush foliage. The large dense combs have brilliant garnet and violet tones that shimmer in the back border or as a large focal point in arrangements. With dwarf cockscomb dominating the market in recent years, it can be difficult to find tall varieties. Tornado red proudly stands 2 feet tall, and will bloom from late spring until fall frost. A stunning variety that hold its rich, crushed velvet color when cut. Pkt (30 seeds) \$3.00



### **ORANGE PEACH COCKSCOMB #FL269**

Annual. To 48". Stunning, large, very deeply folded crested-type cockscombs in shades from apricot to coral pink. Gorgeous at the back of a mixed border; also makes a nice dried flower. Pkt (30 seeds) \$2.75

## **CHRYSANTHEMUM**



### **GOLDEN BALL #FL177 (Edible)**

(Chrysanthemum parthenium, also known as Tanacetum parthenium) Perennial. Equally appropriate to the herb or flower garden! This highly ornamental form of feverfew boasts attractive bright yellow flowers all season long. The flower form is nearly spherical, made up of very closely packed petals. The plants are very compact, reaching to 18" tall and wide. The lemon-yellow blooms are produced non-stop until the weather turns really cold, and look so chipper with their backdrop of the textured gray-green foliage. Takes a fairly hot, dry location once established. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50

## **COREOPSIS**



### **ROULETTE #WF137**

(Coreopsis tinctoria) Hardy annual. Large blooms of velvety dark mahogany-red, having an inner row of smaller petals in pale gold. The effect is very intricate and rich! Elegant refinement to a native old-favorite; equally splendid in drifts, in borders or as cut flowers. Free-flowering, drought-tolerant plants reach above two feet in height, adding wonderful color to sunny, rather dry locations. Seldom bothered by deer, blooms early summer to frost. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.75

## **COSMOS (Edible)**

Hardy annual. Great for salads and garnishing. Often self-sows.



### **BRIGHT LIGHTS #FL241**

(Cosmos sulphureus) Brilliant flowers in shades of orange, yellow, and flame-red. The plants are early to bloom and produce profusely. Colorful and easy to grow. Pkt (100 seeds) \$1.75



**COSIMO RED-WHITE #FL250**

Annual. Sumptuous, well-behaved dwarf cosmos, barely 2 feet tall, combined with a dramatic, bicolor sunburst appearance. Each petal is white toward the center, deep red to the edges. Early flowering on compact, sturdy plants are choice candidates for containers. A great cut-flower, too! Pkt (30 seeds) \$2.50



**PINK & WHITE COSMOS #FL245 *NEW!***

Annual that self sows in the garden. Blooms are a delicate pink overlaid in white with a small, sunny yellow eye. This variety is unique and beautiful. A magnificent selection from Europe! Cosmos look amazing in meadows or wildflower patches as well as in the neat and tidy garden bed where they add a nice wild feel. Pkt (30 seeds) \$2.50



**ROSETTA #FL882 *NEW!***

Prolific 2.5-3 foot plants are covered in single to half double striped blooms in shades from cotton candy pink to magenta with a sunny yellow eye. Enjoys proliferations of cheery blooms from summer through autumn. Pkt (30 seeds) \$2.75

“Now the Lord God had planted a garden in the east, in Eden; and there he put the man he had formed.” -Genesis 2:8



**SENSATION MIX #FL240**

(C. bipinnatus) Beautiful shades of pink, crimson, white, and rose. Tall bush plants are very easy to grow, providing colorful blooms all summer. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



**SEA SHELLS #FL247**

(Cosmos bipinnatus) Here's something unusual for cottage gardens or for cut-flowers: the ray flowers of this charming cosmos are tubular or cone-shaped rather than flat, giving the blooms an intricate look. Three-inch flowers are produced abundantly all summer until frost, in the usual cosmos shades of deep rose, shell pink and pure, snowy white. Plants reach 3-4 feet; like most cosmos, it tolerates poor and dry soils, hot conditions. Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.50



**VELOUETTE COSMOS #FL116 *NEW!***

**Our favorite new flower for 2017!**

Annual that self sows in the garden. This stunning variety garners squeals of delight in the garden. The unusual striping creates an exciting effect, especially when planted en masse. This is the perfect focal point for the landscape or arrangement as the patterns and contrasting colors keep you wanting more. A rich crimson color is offset by transparent white, each petal subtly different from the next. Plants reach 2 feet tall, and the blooms are profuse throughout the season. Pkt (30 seeds) \$3.00



**XANTHOS COSMOS #FL153**

“Xanthos” means “yellow” in Greek. This one comes in a focused range of pale ivory to soft butter-yellow tones—absolutely new in Cosmos. No wonder it won a Fleuroselect medal! Single flowers are very large and elegantly showy. Dwarf plants, early and productive, are equally valuable in the landscape, in containers on porches and patios, or cut. Pkt (30 seeds) \$3.00

**CREPIS**



**RUBRA PINK #FL878 *NEW!***

Annual. Also known as pink Hawksbeard, this stunning European classic adds a touch of whimsy to the landscape with enchanting fairy princess pink blooms that take on the appearance of a “pink dandelion”. Doubled petals have a faint ombre from light to darker rose color. Perhaps the most charming note about this plant is that it thrives in rocky soil and waste areas. Freely scatter the seeds in otherwise difficult areas to invite cheery pink blooms all season long. This is also a welcome addition to the classic cottage garden. Plants average 1- 1.5 feet tall and make an excellent border. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50

**DAHLIA (Edible)**

Annual. Tubers may be lifted and stored for planting the following spring. Flowers and tubers are both useful as food.



**MIGNON SINGLE MIX DAHLIA #FL184**

Compact, rounded plants are a useful size, reaching about 20 inches—perfect for bedding, large enough to make a real showing in containers or window boxes. Flowers are single, large at 3-4”, with petals of unusually heavy substance. Colors are perky dahlia tones of white, pinks, soft yellows, and reds. Pkt (30 seeds) \$2.50



**UNWINS MIX DAHLIA #FL300**

(Dahlia hybrida) Colorful mix of rose, orange, yellow, crimson, purple, and brick red. Single and semi-double flowers; a popular garden flower. A classic dahlia mix that has greeted several generations of gardeners each summer. Easy to grow. Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.50

**DIANTHUS (PINKS & CARNATIONS)**

(Edible) Perennial. Direct sow in spring. (100 seeds per pkt)



**CHABAUD PICOTEE FANTASY MIX CARNATION #FL327**

(Dianthus caryophyllus) A wide mix of carnation colors—cardinal red, pinks, violets, crimson, salmon, whites and yellows—all “fantastically” striped or edged in brilliant contrasting tones. Large, fully double, sweetly scented blooms make great cut flowers. Reaches about 2 feet in height. Pkt \$2.75



**RED SKIN MIX DAHLIA #FL302**

(Dahlia variabilis) Rich bronze-red foliage makes this a standout! Semi-to fully double flowers, petals very wide and full, in hues of crimson, scarlet, orange, yellow and cream. Compact plants reaching 20 inches or so. All-America Award winner for 1975. Pkt (30 seeds) \$2.50

**COLEUS**

Tender perennial. Overwinter indoors, or grow as an annual, starting indoors in early spring.



**RAINBOW FLORIST STRAIN MIX #FL225**

This old-fashioned plant is perfect for any shady spot. The heart-shaped leaves come in many bright colors, great for containers and borders. This plant evokes the spirit of Victorian gardens. Start inside and don't cover seeds. Leaves are cooked in some Asian cultures. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.00



**BLACK AND WHITE MINSTRALS #FL329**

Hardy annual. Dainty, fully double blooms in deepest maroon, almost black, edged in brilliant white. The margins of the petals are heavily frilled, and the overall effect is one of great dignity and refinement, yet stunning beauty. The one-inch blooms are sweetly fragrant. Makes a fine cut flower but really shines in a massed planting. Compact plants, the flowers are held above the grass-like foliage, reaching about a foot in height. Pkt (50 seeds) \$3.00



**MERRY GO ROUND #FL156 NEW!**

Annual. Also known as Chinese Pink or Indian Pink, these cheery little flowers add a pop of unique color to the garden. Diminutive plants stand only 8 inches tall in the garden and look great planted en masse in foreground borders. Quarter-sized blooms are single petaled and white with an orangey red ring; frilled edges. Pkt \$2.00

## DAISY (Various Species)



### AFRICAN DAISY- BLUE DISC #FL293

**NEW!** Annual Silvery white ray flowers offset the steel-blue "eyes" or centers. Heat-loving daisy is easy from seed and thrives in heat. Plants to 24". Very striking and makes a brave show all summer long! Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.50



### DAHLBERG #FL106 **NEW!**

Also known as shooting star, indeed the small yellow flowers shine through an airy cloud of foliage. The fragrant little blooms are just 1 inch across. This is an underappreciated annual that is native to North America and takes very little care to absolutely thrive. The mound shaped plants average 1 by 1 foot and make an excellent groundcover. They need very little water once established, making them perfect for hanging baskets or xeriscape (waterless) gardens. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



### DOUBLE FLOWERED MIX, ENGLISH

**DAISY #FL296** (*Bellis perennis*) Biennial or perennial. To 6". Petite, double daisy flowers, about an inch across, atop 5-6-inch stems, in reds, pinks and pure white. Was often planted to add a pop of color in old-fashioned lawns. Often naturalizes or grows as a perennial in lawns. A quaint, nostalgic reminder of the gardens of yesteryear. Pkt (300 seeds) \$2.25

## DATURA

Tender perennial. Grow like eggplant or peppers. Overwinter in frost-free location.

**Caution: Poisonous!**



### BALLERINA MIX #FL310

(*Datura metel*) A wonderful dwarf version of this lovely plant, growing to about 20" tall if grown in containers. The beautiful, large trumpet-shaped flowers can be creamy yellow and purple, bi-color or pure white. Truly a show stopper! Rare and hard to find. Caution: all parts of these plants are very poisonous. Pkt (10 seeds) \$4.00

## FLAX



### BLUE FLAX #WF120

(*Linum perenne*) This perennial flower was discovered on the Lewis & Clark Expedition, and hence the species was named "lewisii". Lovely blue flowers on 24" plant, beautiful and easy to grow. Pkt (100 seeds) \$1.75



### SCARLET FLAX #WF115

(*Linum grandiflorum rubrum*) Often self-sows. This species can be grown in hot and dry conditions. The plants produce loads of lovely, scarlet-red flowers. This plant is native to southern Europe and northern Africa. A hardy annual. Pkt (100 seeds) \$1.50

## GILIA



### GILIA GLOBE #WF135

Hardy annual. Globe-shaped, tightly-packed clusters of sky-blue to violet flowers are sweetly scented. Held about 15" above the ground, the flowers come over a long season. Very attractive to butterflies and bees and makes great forage for these precious and beautiful insects. This West Coast native prefers hot and dry conditions. Perfect for roadside plantings, meadows and, of course, flower borders. Makes a fine cut flower; self-sows freely where the environment suits it. Pkt (800 seeds) \$2.00

## GAILLARDIA



### GAILLARDIA INDIAN BLANKET #WF111

Hardy annual. Often self-sows. Lovely, yellow, daisy-like flowers with red centers, this annual is easy to grow. Great for sunny, dry areas. Pkt (100 seeds) \$1.50

## HOLLYHOCK (Edible)

(*Alcea rosea* except as noted) Biennial. Delicious petals are perfect for salads. (35 seeds per pkt)



### JET BLACK OR NIGRA #FL421

This variety was mentioned in 1629 and was planted in the gardens at Monticello by Thomas Jefferson. This traditional variety is shockingly beautiful with its near-black flowers and just a hint of red. Gorgeous planted out by the old white outhouse or in the back of your flower bed. A must for historical gardens. You'll love this richly-colored variety. Pkt \$2.75



**DWARF QUEENY MIXED HOLLYHOCK #FL429**

Compact form, 2-3 feet high, is ideal for bedding use, small enough to grow in pots! Huge, fully double blooms held all along the stems. Contains the full range of hollyhock colors: purple, red, rose, pink, salmon, yellow and white. These bloom very quickly from seed, about 65 days. Pkt \$2.50



**MAJORETTE DOUBLE CHAMPAGNE #FL423**

Romantic, soft, blushing pink flowers with dark pink centers, this dwarf variety produces fully double, large "powderpuff" type flowers. Such a lovely color and easy to grow as an annual or biennial. Pkt (30 seeds) \$2.75



**ZEBRINA HOLLYHOCK #FL427**

(*Malva sylvestris*) Not a true hollyhock, but growing much the same, this Malva was widely planted in Victorian cottage gardens. It is one of the most beautiful plants we offer and one of the most popular heirloom plants at historic gardens. The flower spikes bloom profusely with lovely lavender flowers that have stunning deep purple stripes. Looks like a small, single hollyhock. Pkt \$2.50



**QUEENY LILAC-ROSE #FL425**

A beautiful dwarf variety in the "Queeny" series developed by Dr. Zoltan Kovacs of Budapest, Hungary. Compact stalks produce loads of lilac-rose colored, double blooms that are so cute! Now you can even grow annual hollyhocks in pots or small spaces for a wonderful old-fashioned look. Pkt \$2.50

**EUPHORBIA**



**EUPHORBIA- SNOW ON THE MOUNTAIN FL169 NEW!**

Annual that self sows in the garden. This North American Native ornamental is super vigorous, thriving in poor, dry soil. Snow on the mountain quickly grows to the size of a large shrub in the course of one summer, creating a soft white cloud of variegated foliage. Thanks to its rapid growth habit and bushy nature, this is an ideal candidate for a quick natural hedge or background plant. CAUTION: The sap from this plant may cause skin irritation in certain individuals. Use caution when harvesting! Do not eat, as it is mildly toxic. Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.75

**HELIOTROPE**



**OGRODOWY HELIOTROPE #FL871 NEW!**

Also known as Cherry Pie, Heliotrope was immensely popular during the Victorian era in England. A bouquet of Heliotrope was laid on Emily Dickenson's Coffin. This deliciously fragrant flower has fallen out of the spotlight in modern times. Native to Peru, compact plants stand 18-24 inches high, perfect for the front border. Also an excellent cut flower. We think its high time that these diminutive flowers once again bring their intoxicating vanilla fragrance to gardens everywhere! Caution, all parts of this plant are poisonous, especially to horses! Pkt (150 seeds) \$2.50

**HYSSOP** †  
**AGASTACHE** (Edible)



**ARCADO PINK #FL126**  
 (Agastache X hyb.) Think Anise hyssop with a twist--this variety blooms in clear pink rather than the more usual lavender-purple. Incredibly free flowering on compact plants, early summer right through to hard frost. The bees, butterflies and hummingbirds love it! Pkt (25 seeds) \$3.00

**KISS-ME-OVER-THE-GARDEN-GATE**  
 Perennial. Direct sow in spring. Slow germinator.



**KISS-ME-OVER-THE-GARDEN-GATE #FL360** (Polygonum orientale) Exotic, long, flowing flower heads are a cerise-pink in color. Plants are over 6' tall and produce many hanging, rope-like flowers. We are happy to offer this rare and colorful heirloom from the gardens of yesteryear. Freeze seeds for a week before planting, and plant very early in the spring or late winter. A nice cut or dried flower. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.50

**LINARIA OR TOADFLAX**



**FAIRY BOUQUET MIX #FL791**  
 Hardy annual. Small snap-dragon type flowers are held over lacy foliage and attract butterflies and bees. The color range is sublime, in soft, not-quite-pastel tones of cream, buttercup, rose and lavender. Arresting in rock gardens, containers and hanging baskets, and positively breathtaking in massed plantings! Flowers to about 9 inches in height come quickly from seed, bloom over a long season. All America Award winner for 1934. Prefers cool-summer conditions, or may be grown spring and fall in warmer zones. Charming! Pkt (500 seeds) \$2.25

**LOVE-IN-A-MIST**  
 (Edible) Hardy annual. Direct sow early spring or late autumn. (200 seeds per packet)



**MISS JEKYLL MIX #FL221**  
 Hardy annual. If the foliage is like filigree, the star-like blooms are like smoky gems, in mellow jewel-tones of rose, sky blue, dark blue, and crystalline white. A standard since at least as far back as the 1930's, and still among the very finest late-spring flowering plants. Pkt \$2.50

**LUPINE**



**AVALUNE MIX LUPINE #FL411**  
 An excellent mix of dwarf lupines, these bloom early and will perform well in cold weather. We love the cool color range of this mix blue, white, pink and bi-colors! s are super attractive to bees and other pretty pollinators, they turn heads when planted en masse, but they also complete the cottage garden look in a mixed planting. Pkt (20 seeds) \$3.00

**MARIGOLDS** (Edible)  
 (Tagetes patula) Annual. Great in salads! Thrives in heat.



**CRACKERJACK MIX #FL470**  
 The giant African type that is popular with gardeners coast-to-coast; the big double blooms come in shades of lemon yellow to deep orange, and the 30" plants are profuse. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50 or **1 oz \$10.00**



**GIANT BICOLOR #FL873 NEW!**  
 Annual--Mahogany red to searing orange, delicately edged in gold. Blooms are large for such short plants. At 10" in height, it's great in pots, window-boxes or toward the front of the border. Makes a nice cut flower, too, all summer long. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



**HARLEQUIN #FL464**  
 This antique variety dates back to 1870 and has recently become popular again. It is quite unique with its yellow-and-red-striped flowers that are both charming and flashy. It makes a good cut flower, too! Pkt (75 seeds) \$2.50





**KILIMANJARO WHITE #FL473**

We finally have added a unique white marigold; this variety has lovely 2" creamy-white blooms that really stand out in a crowd. White marigolds were long in the making; in fact, Burpee Seed Company spent 56 years of searching and breeding before finding success. After years of trying, David Burpee offered \$10,000 to the first home gardener who sent in the right seeds to help make a real white variety; thousands of gardeners responded for years. One lady, Alice Vonk of Sully, Iowa, sent seeds for 21 years, and in 1975, Burpee awarded her the coveted prize for her work—after the company had spent 56 years and \$250,000 testing during the contest years. Now there are several white varieties, including this beauty. Pkt (30 seeds) \$3.00



**ORANGE FLAME #FL883 NEW!**

We love the unique blooms on this dwarf French type! Bronzy red to orange single petals with a bright orangy plume of petals in the center. Try planting these special marigolds en masse or along borders for a flaming effect in the garden. Don't forget that French marigolds are naturally pest resistant and make useful companion plants to things like squash and tomatoes! Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



**ORANGE HAWAII #FL462**

Large, deep-orange flowers are 4" across, very striking and beautiful. Plants grow to 3'. Orange Hawaii is used as a natural feed additive to brighten the yolks of eggs. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50



**PETITE MIX #FL474**

Very dwarf mixture of the crested French Marigolds; plants only grow to 10"-12" tall. Bright colors. Easy to grow, even in small pots. Pkt (200 seeds) \$1.75



**QUEEN SOPHIA #FL215**

Annual. Gorgeous to the point of excess! Double, deep orange-to-russet flowers reach 2.5" in diameter. They have a tidy, geometric look because the petals occur in neat concentric rings. Each petal lays nearly flat, without crowding its neighbors, showing to advantage the intricate edging, penciled in pure gold. Foot-high plants are great for bedding, edging the border, or in window boxes or pots. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



**RED CHERRY #FL475**

This dwarf variety produces distinctive mahogany-red flowers, which are large in size and fully double. A great variety that flowers very early, making them among the first flowers of summer. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.00



**SPUN ORANGE #FL920 Our Favorite!**

Extra large, attractive, super-double flowers with tubular petals. The color is a pleasing clear orange rather than the harsh orange-brown so often seen in African marigolds. Plants are rather compact, seldom exceeding 20 inches. Very uniform size is ideal for cutting, yet earns its keep in the border. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



**SWEET MACE OR MEXICAN MINT #FL465**

(Tagetes lucida) Enjoy this late-blooming marigold in teas and other drinks; a great flavoring for many dishes. This old Hispanic heirloom is hard to find nowadays, but is still a great garden plant that is easy to grow and quite flavorful. Pkt (50 seeds) \$2.50

## **MARVEL OF PERU** **OR FOUR O'CLOCK**

(*Mirabilis jalapa*) Tubers may be lifted and stored for planting the following spring. Discovered in the 16th century, the flowers open at approximately 4:00 PM. Fragrant flowers come in a wide range of colors, such as pink, magenta, yellow, white, and more. Very bright and attractive. Makes another great flower for night gardens. One of the easiest flowers to grow!

**Caution: Poisonous**



### **MARBLES MIXED #FL448**

Extravagant mixture contains all of the various colors and patterns of the "Marbles" series! Yellows, reds, oranges and whites, each flower uniquely striped and splashed with contrasting hues. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.50

## **MORNING GLORY,** **IPOMOEA**

Annual. Easy to grow vine, this is an amazing plant that was refined in 9th century Japan. Jere's favorite vine, colorful and so easy to grow! (35 seeds per packet)



### **CARNEVALE DI VENEZIA #FL496**

(*Ipomoea purpurea*) A truly stunning mix of two types of flowers. They come white with rose-pink or with purple-blue stripes! Amazing looking and sure to be the highlight of any garden. A hard to find variety from Europe. Pkt \$2.75



### **CARDINAL CLIMBER #FL480**

(*Ipomoea x multifida*) Beautiful, small, bright red flowers; the vines have lovely foliage. Long vines are excellent for ornamental covering. Pkt \$1.75



### **CHOCOLATE #FL490 Our Favorite!**

(*Ipomoea nil*) The Japanese started selecting morning glories in the 9th century, and this selection is one of their most stunning. Huge, 5"-6" blooms are in the loveliest creamy, chocolate-pink color. Large plants produce loads of these beauties that are so rare and unique. Imperial Japanese morning glories were quite popular in America during Victorian times, and we plan to make them popular here once again. Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00



### **CLARK'S HEAVENLY BLUE #FL481**

(*Ipomoea purpurea*) Lovely, 4" pale-blue flowers; this heirloom dates to the 1920s. Produces long 12' vines, and flowers the full season. Pkt \$2.50



### **FLYING SAUCERS #FL485 Our Favorite!**

(*Ipomoea purpurea*) Huge 6" blooms are pure white with bright blue stripes! Too beautiful to describe; very spectacular looking. One of our favorite varieties. Introduced in 1960. Pkt \$2.00



### **MOONFLOWER #FL483**

(*Ipomoea alba*) Long, vigorous vines grow to 20'; giant fragrant white "Glory"-type flowers. Excellent for planting in night gardens. Pkt (20 seeds) \$2.50



### **SUNRISE SERENADE #FL489 Our Favorite!**

(*Ipomoea purpurea*) One of our most asked-for flowers in our trial gardens. A few vines covered the arbor over our garden gate. The flowers are so unique and stunning: they're true double morning glories! They are fully double and uniquely shaped, plus they come in the most lovely shades of ruby-rose. This historic heirloom has long been out of catalogs due to the introduction of modern varieties, but this variety proves that some things can't be improved! Pkt



**KEIRYU MOUNTAIN STREAM MORNING GLORY #FL939**

*Amazing LIME Green Leaves & Sea-Blue colored blooms!* (Ipomoea nil) This is one of the best morning glories we have grown. It was on display at our gardens in Missouri and the inquiries were never ending. The foliage is bright lime green and variegated. The large flowers are a very unique true blue with white speckles and stripes. Flowers were prolific and so varied, a truly captivating flower. Like most other Japanese Imperial types, this is a shy seed producer; the rare seeds are in limited supply. Pkt (10 seeds) \$10.00

**KIKYOZAKI MIXED, MORNING GLORY #FL493**

(Ipomoea nil) Kikyozaki morning glories are popular in Japan. These are star-shaped and many will be semi-double. Fantastic looking and much sought after, this is a true botanic treasure that we are proud to offer. Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00

**NASTURTIUM (Edible)**

(Tropaeolum majus) Annual. Sow where plants are to grow. Delicious flowers and leaves, perfect for salads! (25 seeds per Pkt)



**ALASKA MIX #FL500**

Beautiful, variegated, green-and-white foliage with stunning red, yellow and orange flowers. Superbly unique and colorful. Pkt \$2.50



**ALASKA RED SHADES #FL217**

Annual. Stunning round-leaved nasturtium foliage is brightly variegated. The velvety, deep maroon blooms come as a bonus. A bit somber and very dramatic! Dwarf, upright plants. Pkt \$3.00



**DWARF JEWEL MIX #FL503**

Bright, sunny colors: yellow, pink, red, and orange. The edible flowers are popular for salads and as a garnish; the peppery leaves are also very flavorful. A colorful garden favorite. Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$6.00**



**JEWEL PEACH MELBA #FL507**

This jewel of nasturtium breeding produces blossoms in a lovely shade of primrose-cream with pearly-red spots. Dwarf plants are great for pots and superb in salads. Pkt \$2.50



**KING THEODORE #FL514**

Fashionable, dark green plants have mahogany-red blooms with chocolate overtones. Stunning and flashy. You'll love this heirloom from the 1890's with its compact, beautiful plants. Pkt \$2.00



**TALL TRAILING MIX #FL511**

This heirloom favorite grows up to 10' in a season and is perfect for covering walls, arbors and tall fences. Bright and cheery flowers come in shades of yellow, orange and red. The flowers are spicy and flavorful, making the most beautiful salad. Pkt \$2.50



**YETI #FL513**

Named after the ape-like rare creature that legend says inhabits the Himalayas, these white nasturtiums are rare indeed. Not just things of folklore, here is a creamy-white flowering variety that blooms on long trailing vines that have large leaves. Pkt \$3.00

## NICOTIANA (TOBACCO)

(*Nicotiana glauca* except as noted) Annual. Container-sowing indoors in early spring preferred. Caution: Poisonous.



### HOPI TOBACCO #FL527

(*N. rustica*) Traditional ceremonial variety used for centuries by the gentle people of the Four Corners country. A typical Indian type tobacco, reaching to 24 inches in height. Fragrant green flowers in perhaps more compact spikes than some. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50



### SCENTSATION MIXED #FL522

Nicotianas were popular in early America and were planted by Thomas Jefferson. This tall variety produces flowers that open in the day; color range is pink, red, lavender, rose, and white. These are easy to grow and cause a splash of color. Pkt (800 seeds) \$2.50

## PANSY (Edible)

(*Viola*) Annual. Spring-plant for summer bloom in cool-summer climates; plant late summer for autumn bloom in warmer zones. Grows and blooms best when cooler conditions prevail.



### BLACK KING PANSY #FL951

A truly royal flower, this rich, large pansy has gorgeous petals, a satiny, deep black—like crushed velvet, with a small yellow eye. Very unique, these create an amazing contrast in the flower bed; they also make quite the statement in a mass planting. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50



### SWISS GIANTS MIX #FL541

An old standard in pansies, large flowers come in many bright and attractive colors. The flowers have long stems and add an old-fashioned touch to any garden. Pkt (350 seeds) \$2.50



### WINTER FLOWERING HIEMALIS MIXED

**#FL955** (*Viola hiemalis*) "Hiemalis" refers to wintertime in Latin, and these are a unique species, indeed flowering very early, which can in fact mean winter. The 6-7" tall plants flower freely, and the wide range of velvety pansy colors look so cheery, signaling the winter's impending end. The plants bear smaller flowers than florist types; the blooms are about the size of Violas, but the variety carries its weight by its cold tolerance, blooming happily in 45 degree soil and shrugging off temps down to 6 degrees. Also called Ice Pansy. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50

## PETUNIA (Flowers Edible)

Annual. Early start indoors recommended. Old-fashioned petunias tend to bloom longer and are more fragrant than modern varieties.



### ALDERMAN #FL567

Annual. Classic funnel-shaped petunia flowers, straight from the gardens of yesteryear! The blooms are very showy in deep lavender-purple. Their rich, velvety texture completes the picture of lush garden opulence. Plants reach about 12 inches in height, bloom all summer if spent blooms are removed occasionally. A 1950's favorite. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50



### BALCONY MIX #FL562

This old petunia was popular with gardeners throughout much of the first part of the twentieth century, but has nearly been lost to cultivation because of seed companies' interests in selling newer varieties. This variety has delightfully fragrant blooms in shades of rose, lavender and purple. Trailing plants are perfect for adding color and fragrance to window boxes and hanging baskets. Pkt (800 seeds) \$2.50



### FIRE CHIEF #FL563

An All-America Selections Winner in 1950, but this old winner has nearly suffered the sad fate of all the 50 or so other petunia varieties that were once so popular in the 1950's. Bred by Bodger Seed Company of Lompoc, California, this variety set the standard in the 1950's for red petunias, being rich red and fading to a soft red color; unlike modern petunias, these are fragrant. These come from a time when people watched "I Love Lucy" and every family had a cottage garden. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50

## PHLOX

### CHERRY CARAMEL PHLOX #FL230

Annual. (Phlox drummondii) Five-petaled flowers in varying shades of vanilla-white, cherry red, and rich caramel tones. The overall effect is reminiscent of an antique painting. Long stems make this one suitable for cutting, and the color scheme is oh-so-sophisticated. Easy, carefree garden subject, flowering in late summer. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.75



### TWINKLES DWARF MIX #FL233

Annual. Deeply fringed or indented petal margins give the impression of far more than the 5 petals that are actually present. Diversity of streaks, stripes and zoning makes "Twinkles" really shine. Widest possible range of phlox colors, too! Compact plants rarely exceed 9 inches and are perfect for edging. Makes a superior container variety, when situated so that the intricate details of each unique flower can be appreciated up close. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50



### SUGAR STARS PHLOX #FL232

Annual. (Phlox drummondii) Very fragrant blooms in an unusual range of colors for a Phlox—pale lavender to deep violet blue. White star-like centers and intricate contrasting striping complete the breathtaking vision of splendor. Bushy plants are incredible massed in borders, in front of walls, or of course for cutting gardens. Plants reach two feet in height, blooming over a very long season. Butterflies love them, too!



## POPPY

**WARNING:** Some parts of many poppies are poisonous, do not use for food, unless you're positive on their safety.



### AMERICAN LEGION #FL585

(Papaver rhoeas) This Flanders poppy grew in Europe in World War I, and the name "American Legion" honors the soldiers who died. Bright red blooms cover plants; grows and blooms very easily. Annual. Pkt (600 seeds) \$2.25



### CALIFORNIA POPPY, ORANGE #WF106

(Eschscholzia californica) Hardy annual. Often self-sows. Early. The brilliant orange, small poppy from California. This easy-to-grow, spring bloomer makes a splash of color. Pkt (100 seeds) \$1.75 or **1 oz \$6.50**



### CALIFORNIA POPPY, RAINBOW MIX #WF145 **NEW!**

The ultimate California Poppy mix! Every glorious shade on the spectrum is represented in this mix of single and double petaled blooms. Colors range from creamy yellows, vibrant oranges, soft lilac, luxurious cherry and so much more! Try growing this mix broadcasted in meadows and along the driveway. This is the natural habit of California poppies; they have a knack for naturalizing in these areas. Pkt (600 seeds) \$2.25



**ALPINE MIX POPPY #FL957**

Perennial range of colors, from white and salmon pink to warm tones of yellow, orange and brilliant scarlet. The blooms are modest, 1-2 inches in diameter, and they are held on short, wiry stems only 5-8 inches above the basal rosette of feathery blue-green leaves. Priceless for rock gardens or the front of the border. Best adapted to cooler summer regions, but flowers the first year from an early indoor sowing. Pkt (500 seeds) \$2.25



**BLACK PEONY #FL582**

(Papaver somniferum) We offer pure seed for this truly amazing, deep purple-black colored poppy. The flowers are fully double, ruffled and so large! This elegant beauty will be the winner in any garden. The seedpods make a wonderful addition to dried flower arrangements. This poppy is very easy to grow but does better in cooler regions. Pkt (600 seeds) \$3.00



**BLACK SWAN #FL591**

(Papaver somniferum) Gorgeous double flowers have exotic, frilly cut petals of burgundy to almost black. One of the most unique and stunning varieties you can grow! Pkt (600 seeds) \$3.00



**DANISH FLAG #FL595**

Annual. Enormous flowers reach six inches across. Each one is intricately crinkled and feathered or fringed, of unbelievably vivid scarlet, and at the center of each is a large, snow-white Greek cross. The variety does indeed resemble the national flag of Denmark, which consists of a white cross on a scarlet field. Flowers attain a height of about 30". Breathtaking in mass plantings! Pkt (600 seeds) \$2.50



**FLEMISH ANTIQUE #FL583**

Beautiful, large double blooms in shades of rose, all striped with creamy white. This new poppy resembles those once seen in antique herbal books. The dried pods are filled with seeds that can be used in baking. Simply gorgeous! Your garden will be blessed with the simple elegance of this stunning selection. Pkt (600 seeds) \$2.50



**FROSTED SALMON POPPY #FL586**

(Papaver somniferum) Giant 4-5" flowers are fully double and bright salmon-pink in color with creamy frosted edges that make this variety simply stunning and magnificent in the garden. After flowering, it also produces unique seed pods that are popular in dried arrangements. An annual that really makes a bold statement with its richly-colored blooms. Pkt (600 seeds) \$2.50



**MOTHER OF PEARL #FL589**

(Papaver rhoeas) A lovely mixture of misty and subtle shades. The late Sir Cedric Morris, painter and gardener, presumably years ago selected and named this mixture of pale and smoky colors as grey, lilac, mauve, pink, soft orange and white. Various flowers have flecking in the same tones and some delightful picotees. This refined mixture has a good balance of pastel colors. It is one of the most subtle poppy mixtures to grow in the garden. Easy, direct seeding on almost any soil, in full sun or partial shade. Stunning! Pkt (600 seeds) \$3.00



**PANDORA #FL222 *NEW!***

Annual. Flanders Poppy with a twist! The range of color runs from dusky rose to burgundy; when combined with silvery stripes, each double bloom resembles antique silk. Unique and very choice! This was a show-stopper in our 2016 gardens. Pkt (600 seeds) \$3.00

## **PORTULACA** (Edible)



**MOSS ROSE, DOUBLE FLOWERED MIX #FL918** Trailing or sprawling annual to 5 inches in height, Super-dwarf plants are ideal for xeriscaping, edging the front of borders, or nestled into cracks between stones in rock gardens. Completely unfazed by heat and drought that wither most plants, the small, succulent leaves always look fresh and healthy! Provides an endless succession of large (2-inch), fully double cup-shaped flowers in vibrant jewel tones. A care-free, old-fashioned favorite that deserves to be rediscovered by modern gardeners! Pkt (600 seeds) \$2.00



**MOSS ROSE, ORANGE EXTRA DOUBLE #FL252** Annual. Splendid, consistently double blooms in deep orange. The intense heat and sunshine that Portulaca favors makes the flowers' color all the more searing. (Sunscreen not included!) Pkt (600 seeds) \$3.00



**MOSS ROSE, SINGLE MIX #FL251** Annual. Heat-tolerant mix of brilliant Portulaca colors in single flowers—cerise, scarlet, tangerine, sunflower yellow. Low-growing color, ideal for dry banks, edging, or in pots. Pkt (600 seeds) \$2.00

## **RUDBECKIA**



**BLACK-EYED SUSAN #WF101** (Rudbeckia hirta) Hardy annual. Often self-sows. A popular native variety from the Great Plains of North America. Large yellow daisies with dark brown centers. Good in heat and drought. Beautiful. Pkt (150 seeds) \$1.50 or **1 oz \$6.50**



**GOLDILOCKS #WF131** (also known as Gloriosa Daisy) Annual, biennial or short-lived perennial. Bright golden-orange, double daisies appear all season long! 'Goldilocks' is much more compact than wild Black-eyed Susans, and much freer flowering, too! Upright plants reach two feet in height and half that in width. Beloved by butterflies and bees as you would expect from this native flower. Makes a fine cut flower, too. Priceless! Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.75

## **SALVIA - SAGE**

Annual. (150 seeds per pkt)



**BLUE MONDAY SAGE #FL700** (Salvia horminum) Wow, these produce long-lasting blue flower spikes over a long period! A lovely 2' plant that is becoming all the rage in cottage gardens. Pkt \$2.00



**PINK SUNDAY SAGE #FL701** (Salvia horminum) Lovely, romantic, bright-pink flower spikes that shine in any heritage garden! The 2' plants are covered in pink all summer and are very easy to grow. Pkt \$2.50



**SIRIUS BLUE SAGE #FL109 NEW!** These stunning blue flower spikes will welcome hummingbirds, honeybees and butterflies to your garden. This selection produces an extra heavy crop of blooms! Native Perennial from Mexico to Texas, Sirius blue is drought tolerant and will thrive in rocky soil. This compact plant will only reach 12-16 inches in height, making it a great choice for the border. Pkt \$2.75

## **SCABIOSA OR PINCUSHION** (Edible)



**PAPER MOON #FL610** (Scabiosa stellata) Attractive pale blue flowers are followed by cool, everlasting seed heads that are perfect for dried arrangements. This pest-tolerant, annual plant is native to Southern Europe. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.00



**TALL DOUBLE FLOWERED MIX #FL611**  
(*Scabiosa atropurpurea*) Annual. Also known as Sweet Scabious or Pin-cushion Flower. Free-flowing annual with large, intricate flowers on long branching stems to 30 inches. Sweetly fragrant blooms appear about midsummer, continuing until frost. Butterflies love the flowers at least as much as you will! Colors range from pure white through carnation pink, rose to a very rich maroon. Makes a superb cut flower. Liberty Hyde Bailey in 1917 wrote in *The Standard Cyclopaedia of Horticulture* that Sweet Scabious "...are among the most popular of flower-garden annuals," and they should be much more widely grown today! Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.00

## SALPIGLOSSIS



**GRANDIFLORA MIX #FL874 NEW!**  
Annual. Salpiglossis caught everyone's eye in the 2016 flower trials. Nicknamed "painted tongue," large petunia like blooms are splashed with vibrant purple-pinks and yellows. These pretty flowers are native to southern Chile and are related to nicotiana. Plants average 2.5 feet tall. Suitable for cut flowers. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.25

## SCENTED STOCKS



**STARLIGHT SCENTSATION #FL680**  
Now you can grow this fragrant old-fashioned favorite in a whole mix of pastel colors. Lovely 18" plants are so beautiful when in bloom. Great for containers on the patio. Pkt (250 seeds) \$2.00

## SNAPDRAGON



**APPLE BLOSSOM #FL911**  
(*Antirrhinum majus*) Lavish, full-sized old-fashioned snapdragons reaching 36 inches. Heavy trusses of large, velvety-textured blooms in true apple-blossom pink, contrasting with pale gold. Stunning massed at the back of the border or as an accent plant. Yields a commendable cut-flower, as well. Snapdragons were cherished in the gardens of yesteryear! Pkt (600 seeds) \$2.50



**BLACK PRINCE #FL621**  
One of the best, this variety has beautiful dark leaves and stunning, very dark crimson flowers. This plant is so attractive when planted with light-colored plants. So pretty! Pkt (600 seeds) \$2.50



**TALL DELUXE #FL620**  
Beautiful, 30"-36" flower spikes in a brilliant range of colors: pink, red, yellow, lavender, and rose shades. Native to southern Europe. Pkt (800 seeds) \$1.75



**NIGHT & DAY #FL876 NEW!**  
Annual. A bicolored descendant of 'Black Prince', this variety is truly regal. Crushed red velvet offset by creamy white makes a dramatic statement in the garden and in an arrangement. Perfect for the gothic garden style! Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.50



**TEQUILA SUNRISE #FL875 NEW!**  
Annual. A punchy mix of bright colors makes this an exciting focal point of the garden or bouquet. The vibrant pinks and yellows are so pleasing to the eye contrasted with the very dark green, almost black, foliage. Bushy plants do not exceed 18 inches tall. Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.25

## STATICE

Annual. Occasionally self-sows.



**PACIFIC MIX #FL664**  
(*Limonium sinuatum*) Annual. This mix runs the widest possible range of rich jewel tones—purple, rose, and sunny lemon yellow. Plants reach about 30 inches, and do double duty in borders, being lovely when in bloom, before the flowers are cut for drying. An old fashioned favorite that is once again receiving the appreciation it deserves. Pkt (150 seeds) \$2.00



## **STRAWFLOWER** Annual.

Sow where plants are to grow.



### **TOM THUMB MIXED #FL190**

Heavy bloomer! Annual. Dwarf Strawflowers in mixed colors. Scaled-down plants reach about 15" tall thrive in hot and dry conditions. They would be worth growing even if they didn't make some of the loveliest dried flowers around, but fortunately, they do! A splendid mix of reds, yellows, pinks and whites add stunning diversity of color to your everlasting arrangements. Pkt (250 seeds) \$2.50



### **TALL DOUBLE MIX #FL640**

(Helichrysum bracteatum) The popular everlasting flower that is easy and fun to grow. These come in red, pink, salmon, lemon, white, lilac, and more! Pkt (250 seeds) \$2.50

## **SUNFLOWER (Edible)**

(Helianthus annuus except as noted) Annual. (35 seeds per pkt)



### **AUTUMN BEAUTY #FL720**

A beautiful sunflower! Many 6" flowers in brilliant red, gold, yellow, rust, and burgundy. Blooms over a long period. Makes a wonderful display. Tall, 7' plants are a favorite. Pkt \$2.00 or **1 oz \$6.00**



## **SPIDER FLOWER - CLEOME (Edible)**

### **SPIDER FLOWER MIX #FL237**

(Cleome hassleriana) Hardy annual to 4-6 feet tall. Also known as Rocky Mountain Bee Plant, Cleome was first described by the Lewis and Clark expedition. The shrub-like plants are topped by large open clusters of intriguing flowers, blooming late summer and into autumn. Color ranges from white to pink to dark reddish purple. Thrives in heat, tolerates some drought, self-sows where conditions are favorable. Imposing at the back of the border, or when grown in large containers. And yes, the bees do love it! Pkt (200 seeds) \$2.25



### **ARIKARA #FL736**

This native variety produces 10-foot tall plants with many beautiful large, bright yellow flowers with black centers. The seeds are edible and were used by the Arikara nation in North Dakota. This heirloom produces flowers over a long period; it was a real winner in our garden! Pkt \$3.00 or **1 oz \$6.00**



### **FANTAZJA #FL879 NEW!**

A beautiful European selection, Fantazja means "imagination" in Polish. This tall, multi-branched classic sunflower makes for a fantastic cover up plant for walls, fences or whatever needs covered; the plant quickly and thickly fills a space with vibrant multicolored blooms ranging from canary yellow to beautiful bronze. Heads are 4-6 inches across, canary yellow with a large, dark brown center. Pkt \$2.50



**EVENING SUN #FL733**

This beautiful variety has medium-large blooms in shades of burgundy, rust, bronze, bright yellow, and crimson, with many being bi-colored. The 7' plants produce many flowers over a long season. This is one of our favorite varieties. Gorgeous! Pkt \$2.50



**HENRY WILDE #FL745**

The classic-looking heirloom sunflower with pure yellow petals and dark centers is perfect for using as a cut flower and perfect for planting along a fence or barn. Pkt \$2.50



**CRIMSON QUEEN #FL751**

Velvety, deep burgundy flowers with dark centers. Multiflora type produces many small flowers, 3-5 inches across, on bushy, six-foot plants. Splendid at the back of the border; stunning in a mass planting! Pkt \$2.50



**LEMON QUEEN #FL722 *Best seller!***

Beautiful, lemon-yellow blooms with chocolate centers. This one is very unique; tall plants produce many brilliant blooms that are a favorite of many bees. Pkt (25 seeds) \$2.50 or **1 oz \$6.00**



**GIANT WHITE-SEEDED #FL744**

This classic giant variety produces large, yellow heads and big, delicious white seeds perfect for roasting. It also grows very tall, 10'-12'! Fun to grow and eat. Pkt (20 seeds) \$2.50



**MAMMOTH GREY STRIPED #FL735**

The standard giant variety that produces delicious seeds. The 10' plants produce heads that average 12" across. A stately garden plant. Pkt (25 seeds) \$1.50



**MEXICAN SUNFLOWER, YELLOW TORCH #FL747**

(Tithonia rotundifolia) Here is a yellow version of this most popular plant with delightful apricot-yellow flowers that really cast a glow. This plant produces loads of flowers till frost. V easy to grow. Pkt \$2.50



**MEXICAN SUNFLOWER, RED TORCH #FL729**

(Tithonia rotundifolia) (GOLDEN FLOWER OF THE AZTECS) Brilliant, red-orange, 2"- 3" flowers; an excellent butterfly plant. These bloom over a very long season, and the plants produce masses of blooms. The large 5' plants are very beautiful. I enjoyed these as I traveled along the roadsides in the high mountains in central Mexico. Pkt \$2.25



**RED SUN #FL912**

Stately branching plants reaching 5-6 feet tall are covered with dozens of ornamental blooms. Red to red-orange single flowers are highlighted with a hint of yellow around the centers. Blooms over a very long season, attracting bees and butterflies. Later, the tiny seeds attract birds. Pkt \$2.50



**TALL ORANGE SUN #FL825**

Clear yellow-orange, six-inch, fully double flowers look for all the world like super-sized chrysanthemums, perched atop plants reaching 4-5 feet in height. Pkt \$3.00

**TEDDY BEAR #FL724**

Beautiful 3"- 6" double, deep yellow blooms. Plants grow to only 18"- 24" tall, and the double blooms are very unique! This is a superb variety. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$6.00

**YELLOW PYGMY #FL137**

Dwarf, single-flowered variety in warm sunflower yellow. Plants reach 18 inches tall. Lovely in beds, or in the border where their formality can be employed to advantage. Pkt \$2.50

**TITAN #FL749**

Massive, record-setting flower heads have reached a fantastic 24" across in some areas. One of the largest you can grow, it also produces lots of really big seeds. Fun for the kids and adults as well. Pkt (10 seeds) \$2.50

**TAIYO #FL929**

Annual, to 6-7 feet. An old Japanese variety, non-branching and grown for cut-flower use. Equally attractive in arrangements or in mass plantings in the garden. The tall, non-branching plants produce a single large flower in tones of yellow to orange, chocolate and sable. Florists adore the 8- to 10-inch flowers! Pkt \$2.75

**SWEET ALYSSUM****SWEET ALYSSUM TALL WHITE #FL108**

Annual. This cheery white denizen of cottage gardens since who-knows-when hardly needs an introduction! Tiny, snow-white flowers are produced by the hundreds on spikes reaching just a foot in height. The fragrance is just like honey! Tuck them at the edge of borders, or along walks. The small plants are also great in window boxes or in pots--anywhere their sweet scent may be savored! Pkt (400 seeds) \$2.00

**SWEET SULTAN****IMPERIALIS MIX #WF125**

*Centaurea moschata* Hardy annual. To 2 feet. Fragrant, thistle-like blooms look like large, silky powder puffs! The flowers run from deep, dusky rose purple through pink to white, and so fragrant! Makes a lovely addition to the border, and the 2-inch flowers are wonderful for cutting. Bees and butterflies adore them, as did the cottage gardeners of a bygone era. Often listed by seedsmen as *Amberoa moschata*. Pkt (300 seeds) \$2.25

**SWEET PEAS**

(*Lathyrus odoratus*) The old heirlooms are very fragrant. Plant in early spring, or whenever the weather is cool and moderate. (25 seeds per Pkt) (Warning: The seeds, pods and plants are poisonous!)

**AZUREUS BLUE #SW160**

(*L. sativus azureus*) Brilliant azure-blue flowers about 1 inch across, borne on semi-trailing or bush plants reaching about 2 feet in height. Really distinctive accent or container plant! This Chinese native tolerates heat much better than ordinary sweet peas. Pkt (10 seeds) \$3.00

**BEAUJOLAIS #SW134**

Gorgeous, large, fragrant blossoms are a rich, burgundy wine color, truly stunning. Pkt \$2.50

**BLUE REFLECTIONS MIX #SW147**

Superb blend of fragrant Reflection sweet peas in all shades of blue and white. Truly a market winner. Bred by Keith Hammelt! Pkt \$2.50

**OLD SPICE MIX #SW122**

A gorgeous and fragrant mix of the finest sweet peas. Selected from varieties dating 1901-1907, has many brilliant shades of colors. Great heat resistance. Modern varieties are just not the same. Pkt \$2.00

## TASSEL FLOWER (Edible)



### IRISH POET #FL790

(*Emilia javanica*) Beautiful bright orange variety for naturalistic gardens. This annual has long stems and small, bright orange flowers in clusters. These flowers were once described as the windswept hair of an Irish poet. Suitable as a specialty cut flower, it is a colorful filler for summer bouquets. Grow in full sun in soil with good drainage. Tassel Flower was introduced to England from Asia in 1799 and was also known as "Flora's Paintbrush" in Victorian times. Pkt (150 seeds) \$2.50

## VERBENA



### VERBENA TENUISECTA MIX #FL880 **NEW!**

A fun mix of fairy princess colors ranging from lavender and cerise to creamy white and almost blue. Plants are drought tolerant, semi-trailing and foliage is feathery. The blooms are long lasting, and plants' trailing habit looks amazing spilling out of containers and baskets. Drought tolerant plants are amazing in rocky gardens, creeping between cracks with bursts of color. Pkt (100 seeds) \$2.50

## WALLFLOWER



### SIBERIAN WALLFLOWER #WF113

(*Cherianthus allionii*) Hardy perennial. Vibrant yellow-orange, phlox-like flower clusters are fragrant and colorful. The 18" perennial plants bloom early in the season; adds a great splash of color to your meadow. Pkt (100 seeds) \$1.50

## ZINNIAS (Edible)

(*Zinnia elegans*) Introduced from Mexico in 1800 and have been very popular ever since. They have huge flowers in many striking colors and are so easy to grow. Many of our zinnias are double, but many still produce fairly large amounts of single flowers. Zinnias can be more unstable than most other flowers, so expect some variation. We are working on selecting the best stock, but many need much more selection. (100 seeds per pkt.)



### CANARY BIRD #FL805

Large dahlia-type blooms are a beautiful yellow, 4"-5" across. Great cut flowers for home or farm markets; an old favorite. Pkt \$2.25 or **1 oz \$8.00**



### CAROUSEL ZINNIA FL834

This is a bright and flashy zinnia with a classic daisy form. Kids love these jazzy flowers that really pop in a garden. With sturdy stems and a hardy flower that does not wilt or damage easily, this is a top choice for arrangements or market sales. Just another bonus, these flowers bloom throughout summer and well into the fall, usually shining on as other flowers fade out. Pkt \$2.75



### CHERRY QUEEN #FL838

Annual. Spectacular color in a zinnia--assorted shades of brilliant cherry red! Dahlia-flowered, fully double blooms are held atop 30-40" plants. A massed planting of these is sure to attract attention. Makes a sensational cut flower, or leave them in the garden where the bees and butterflies can enjoy them, too! Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$8.00**



### Bon Bon Zinnia #FL827 (Pictured on Cover)

Dahlia-flowered variety in a range of zinnia colors. The petals are exquisitely colored, often having two colors running the length of each petal. Height is about 30 inches. Great for cutting or for a veritable splash of color right in the garden. Pkt (25 seeds) \$3.00



### EL DORADO #FL857

As reliable as it is beautiful, this medium-large double flowered zinnia does not disappoint. The striking salmon-orange color looks amazing in arrangements. The stems are super rigid and perfect for cutting. Pkt \$2.50



### ENVY #FL800

Exciting chartreuse-green blooms that are very unique. The beautiful flowers are 3" across. A wonderful variety that is a very popular color for marketing. These always are a favorite here! Pkt \$2.50 or **1 oz \$8.00**



### LILLIPUT MIX #FL803

Cute 1 1/2" beehive-shaped double flowers, in colors of white, yellow, pink, scarlet, purple, orange, and more. This mix is blended by formula. Plants grow 18" tall. Lovely! Pkt \$1.75 or **1 oz \$8.00**



**MAZURKIA #FL862**

Annual. Each scarlet petal is tipped in cream, and both are set off by the circular golden tracery at each flower's heart—sumptuous! Dahlia flowers, large bloom size, robust plants: what more could a zinnia connoisseur ask for? Pkt \$3.00



**PINK SENORITA #FL831**

Enormous, mostly fully double cactus-type flowers are superb for cut flower use. Their color is confined to a sophisticated range of the best pinks the zinnia clan has to offer, coming as they do in near-salmon through cerise. Pkt \$2.50



**QUEEN LIME #FL863**

Brilliant apple-green companion to 'Queen Lime Red' and stunning when paired with it, either in the bed or border, or in the vase! Dahlia blooms are incredibly double, tightly packed with brilliant green petals. Large plants are believed to be sturdier and more robust than 'Envy', our previous old favorite for green-flowered zinnias. Pkt (25 seeds) \$4.00



**ORIOLE #FL819**

Stunning, giant double flowers in shades of gold and orange, this beauty really gets attention. Lovely in the garden or the vase. Pkt \$2.25



**POLAR BEAR #FL810**

The white dahlia-type zinnia with very large blooms that are quite magnificent looking. A pretty bloom that is a must for bouquets! Pkt \$1.75



**PERSIAN CARPET #FL802**

Stunning gold, red, chocolate, orange, and cream. Many of the 2" double flowers are bi-colored. This brilliant heirloom is still a favorite of many. Was a 1952 AAS winner. Plants produce loads of stunning flowers. Pkt \$2.50 or 1 oz \$9.00



**WILL ROGERS ZINNIA #FL821**

This variety was named after the famous American, Will Rogers, and produces stunning, big, red flowers that really stand out. Pkt \$1.50



**QUEEN LIME RED #FL864**

Art shades in zinnias? The answer is yes! This large-flowered, dahlia-type zinnia combines ruby tones with apple green, and the result is sophisticated ethereal loveliness! Flowers are very double, borne all season long on productive, full-sized zinnia plants, to about three feet tall. Intriguing! Pkt (25 seeds) \$4.00



**QUEEN LIME 'RED HEART' #FL865**

**NEW!** The third incarnation of the queen zinnia series, we just can't get enough of these vibrant, dahlia flowered beauties! Large 3-inch blooms display an incredible lime green to red ombre with red centers. Stems reach 25 inches tall, and the plant remains sturdy. These make an extra long lasting cut flower. The butterflies seemed to especially appreciate this variety! Pkt (25 seeds) \$4.00



**PURPLE PRINCE ZINNIA #FL836**

Annual. Dahlia-flowered type is one of the tallest we've seen! The flowers are extra large and brilliant amethyst-purple, with pale green centers. Fine for cut flowers but the lavish display is best appreciated right in the garden, especially planted en masse. Beloved in gardens since 1949. Fabulous! Pkt \$2.25



**PEPPERMINT STICK ZINNIA #FL830**

Dahlia-flowered mix is splashed in crimson, similar to Candy Stripe except that the spangles are smaller, more uniform, and overall a bit more refined. A lovely variety. Pkt \$2.25

## FALL BULBS

We adore fall planted bulbs because they are so easy, and they make the first flowers each spring! These tend to be hardy from zones 3 through 8. It is important to plant bulbs soon after you receive them; don't let them lay around outside! **Pre-order now and we will ship your bulbs in September, right before planting time!**



**PARROT TULIP MIX #BL201**

The most flamboyant by-products of tulipmania are the Parrot tulips. They arrive fashionably late, usually blooming mid to late spring just after the more traditional, early varieties of tulips. They finish off tulip season with a bang; colors are often bright flames of color with frilly, twisted or wavy petals. Parrot tulips are a favorite of macro photographers for their gracefully contorted flower forms and stark color contrasts. 25 bulbs for \$22.

**SAFFRON CROCUS #BL205**

Talk about a cash crop, the dried stigmas and styles of *Crocus sativus* are known as one of the most expensive spices by weight; now you can grow your own saffron in your garden. Saffron is revered for its unique flavor that has been described as a slightly metallic honey with hay notes. Saffron has a remarkable history; it is said that Cleopatra liked her bath scented with saffron. 25 bulbs for \$17.00



**HISTORIC DAFFODIL MIX (NARCISSUS) #BL202**

There is a spectacular range of daffodil varieties; they showcase beautifully beside one another in mass plantings. An entire bed of daffodils will range from large yellow trumpets to delicate white flowers with bright orange cups. Here you will find some of the varieties that were beloved by gardeners of the past as well as a few new varieties that are so special we just cannot help sharing with you. 25 bulbs for \$22

**HISTORIC CROCUS MIX #BL203**

This mix will liven up your bleak late winter landscape with the colors of the past and present. You can plant these sturdy little flowers in light shade under trees and even on your lawn! The flowers and foliage will be long gone before your first lawn mowing of the season. 25 bulbs for \$15



**HISTORIC HYACINTH #BL204**

The common garden Hyacinth originated in Turkey and has been cultivated commercially since the second half of the 16th century. Here are some old varieties that have withstood the test of time and remain in cultivation today. It isn't hard to understand how these fragrant old friends have secured their place in gardeners' hearts; they are delightful! 10 bulbs for \$22



## DINNERPLATE DAHLIAS!

The most popular flower at our farm each summer. Plant dahlias in full sun to partial shade with rich soil and even moisture. Plants grow about waist height and usually bear from June through October. Dahlias are perennial in frost-free areas, but anywhere with a killing frost you will have to dig up the tubers and store them inside for the winter. You will know when to dig up your dahlias for the season. The plant will die back in the late fall; at that point just dig up the enlarged tubers and save for next season.

Order these now and we will ship you good-sized tubers in March, April or May, depending on shipping conditions and your climate location. Varieties are our choice only.

**DINNERPLATE DAHLIA ASSORTMENT #DA107**

These dinnerplate dahlias look good enough to eat! Dahlias are native to Mexico, Central America, and Columbia; you will find them eager to put out robust blooms late into the season. The massive blooms can reach an incredible 8-12 inches for some varieties. These gorgeous dinner plate dahlias are easy to grow and are edible. Sasha's favorite flower! Three assorted, named varieties are included. **3 large tubers for \$18.00**

*"A good end cannot sanctify evil Means; nor must we ever do evil, that good may come of it."*

-WILLIAM PENN

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This beautiful indoor watering can is a must-have for the serious indoor horticulturist. Made of beautiful polished copper, its functional design with its tall neck allows for precision watering of indoor plants without spillage from the tipped can. The removable watering rose lets you choose a fine spray or a steady stream of water. One liter capacity. Made in England by the Haws company. \$112



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Economical to use, the plastic plant labels come in a resealable plastic bag and can be reused in either the garden or containers. Package of 50. \$6.00



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This unique chart presents gardening events in a "time-phased" format so that it is possible to see at a glance the entire planting, growing and harvesting period. It shows proper indoor and outdoor planting times relative to spring and fall frost dates for 22 common garden vegetables. Since frost dates vary from region to region, the chart will slide, making it useful in most parts of the Northern Hemisphere where frost is a critical gardening factor. The front of the chart shows the spring season, and the flip side acts as a guide for fall gardeners. Frost dates are included in the directions. Developed by a friend and customer, this handy chart is a favorite of our staff and customers to our store. A must for new gardeners. Just \$3.00!



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The CobraHead® precision weeder and cultivator is the closest thing to a universal garden



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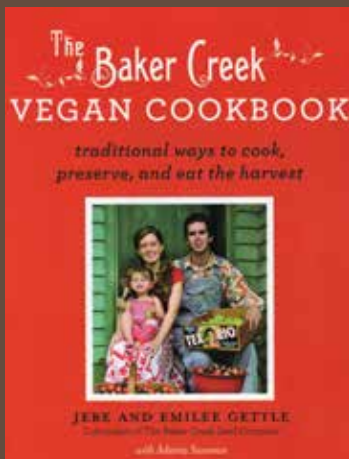
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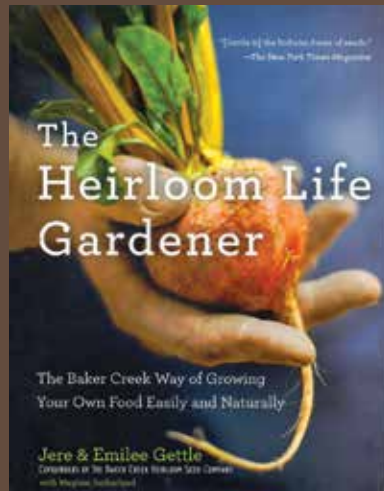
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By Jere and Emilee Gettle

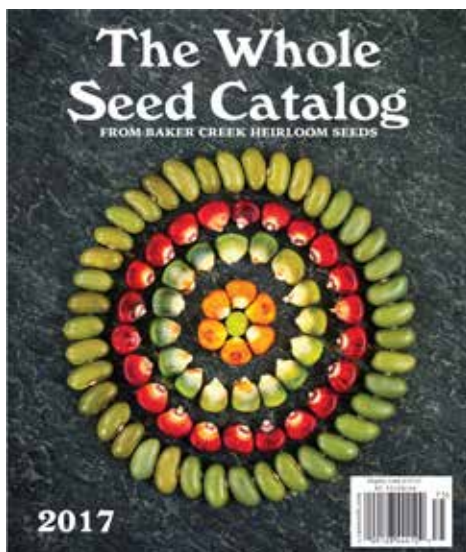
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By Jere & Emilee Gettle, with Meghan Sutherland

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