

Vegetable List 2009

1. BROCCOLI

- a. *Premium Crop* - 65 days Single, textured 8-9" heads with small, firm buds on thick, tender stems.

2. BRUSSEL SPROUTS

- a. *Jade Cross* - 80 days Withstands the heat, always sets a bumper crop of very firm, tightly wrapped, blue-green "sprouts" with mild, sweet flavor. Vigorous plants are widely adapted.

3. CABBAGE

- a. *Copenhagen Market* – 75 days
- b. *Danish Ballhead* – 100 days
- c. *Golden Acre* - 58 days. Early, disease resistant variety bears solid, 3-4 lb. heads. Sweet, green leaves are refreshing in salads. Compact plants are great for small gardens.
- d. *Late Flat Dutch* – 105 days Good storage variety and one of the best for kraut. Great for the home garden with flat/round, green heads reaching up to 30 lbs.
- e. *Ruby Perfection* - 85 days The 3.5-lb. heads have great flavor and are slow to burst.

4. CAULIFLOWER

- a. *Snow Crown* - 53 days One of the easiest cauliflowers to grow. Vigorous, rapid growth and long harvest. Snow white, 2 lb. heads are 7-8" across and very flavorful.

5. CELERY

- a. *UTAH 52-70* – 100 days

6. CUCUMBER - SLICING

- a. *Burpless Supreme* – 55 days SLICING A sweet, burpless slicer with no bitterness. Dark green fruit grow up to 12" long with a high percentage of them being seedless. Resistant to Watermelon Mosaic Gynoecious.
- b. *Bush Crop* – 60 days. SLICING Flavorful fruit is 6-8" long. Restricted growth is ideal for small beds. Monoecious
- c. *Early Spring Burpless* – 52 days SLICING Prolific and early! Creamy-spined dark green fruits. 12-15" long. Bright white flesh is extra crisp and mild. Monecious
- d. *Eureka* – 57 days. PICKLING OR SLICING Dark green fruit on vigorous plants. Harvest for pickling at 5" lengths; good for slicing up to 7". Monoecious
- e. *Fanfare* – 63 days. SLICING Compact plants bear excellent yields of dark green fruit, 8-9" long. Good disease resistance. Monoecious
- f. *Marketmore* – 66 days. SLICING The non-fading, dark green fruit is 8" long. Disease resistant. Monoecious
- g. *Slicemaster* – 60 days. SLICING An excellent producer of dark green fruit 7" long. Monoecious
- h. *Straight Eight* – 65 days. SLICING Tip-top slicing cuke is perfectly straight! Dark green, 8" fruits have a small seed cavity and crisp fine-grained flesh. Monoecious

CUCUMBER – PICKLING

- a. ***Lucky Strike Pickle*** – 50 days **PICKLING** Semi compact plant with high yields and good disease resistance. Medium/dark green coloring. **Gynoecious**
- b. ***Bush Pickle*** – 45 days. **PICKLING** Compact choice for small gardens or containers. Bears early, white-spined, 5” cukes in half the space needed by most vines. Cool, mild flavor. Scab, mosaic-tolerant plants. **Monoecious**
- c. ***Eureka*** – 57 days. **PICKLING OR SLICING** Dark green fruit on vigorous plants. Harvest for pickling at 5” lengths; good for slicing up to 7”. **Monoecious**

Monoecious plants produce separate male and female flowers on the same plant.

Gynoecious plants produce only female flowers for higher and more concentrated yields. You need to plant another variety nearby to ensure pollination.

7. **EGGPLANT**

- a. ***Black Beauty*** – 80 days Broad, egg-shaped fruit with dark purple skin.
- b. ***Dusky*** – 63 days High-yielding plants produce firm, dark purple, 8 x 3.5” fruit.
- c. ***Fairy Tale*** – 50 days Elongated lavender fruit with white stripes is produced in clusters of 3 to 5. Sweet, bitter-free fruit is best harvested at the gourmet baby stage, about 4 x 1.75”.
- d. ***Fengyuan*** – 65 days This slender Asian eggplant is one of the longest available. Its purple skin is so thin that peeling is unnecessary and creamy white flesh is reliably mild with no bitterness. Plants produce an abundance of fruit that can grow well over a foot long. Easy to grow and wonderful for grilling or adding to stir fries.
- e. ***Ghostbuster*** – 80 days. Rated the #1 white eggplant. Sweeter flavor than purple skinned varieties. Deep oval shape, 6-7” in length. Pick early before they mature.
- f. ***Ichiban*** – 61 days Long, slender deep purple, almost black, eggplant are of Asian origin, and have a wonderful, mild flavor, perfect for Oriental dishes or simply splitting and grilling or roasting. Plants are very productive.
- g. ***Kermit Hybrid*** – 60 days Small, ball-shaped fruit are about 2” across and green marbled with white stripes. This is a traditional Thai type of eggplant that is used extensively in many Asian dishes for its distinctive flavor. They are also the perfect size and shape to put on a shish-kebab skewer, brush with olive oil and grill. Vigorous plants yield a very generous harvest.
- h. ***Listada de Gandia*** – 75 days This Italian heirloom eggplant is considered one of the most beautiful eggplants because of its rich purple striping on creamy white skin. It also has a teardrop to round shape with fruit that can grow to 6” long. Mild white flesh is delicious and sweet with no hint of bitterness, making it an extremely versatile choice.
- i. ***Little Fingers*** – 68 days These little eggplants are unique in that they grow in clusters of 3 or more slim fruit, and can be harvested when no longer than your little finger. However, you can also let them grow longer at no sacrifice to their mild, sweet taste. Dark purple fruit is produced in abundance, and is delicious stir-fried, grilled, or even pickled.
- j. ***Rosa Bianca*** – 75 days Prized by chefs and gardeners alike for its creamy, mild flesh and lovely appearance, this Italian heirloom eggplant has become very popular. Well-filled, round to teardrop-shaped fruit is white with soft lavender streaks outside, and inside flesh white and sweet with no trace of bitterness. Delicious for slicing, stuffing, or any eggplant use.

- k. **Round Mauve** – 65 days. This eggplant is about 4” across with rose lavender thin skin and a pure white interior. Flesh is mild and meaty with absolutely no trace of bitterness. Earliness & big yields.
- l. **Satin Beauty** – 65 days. Very uniform, egg-shaped fruit with deep blackish purple skin. Ripens up to 2 weeks earlier than Black Beauty.

8. GOURDS

- a. **Wings Blend** – 100 days. A blend of all the Autumn Wings...many colors with wings & warts, fruit shapes like spoons and swan/pears.

9. KOHLRABI

- a. **Grand Duke** - 45 days. An excellent form that has perfect 4" or larger bulbs resistant to black rot.
- b. **Winner** – 45 days. Fresh, fruity taste. Good holding quality. A medium, early kohlrabi with large bulbs.

10. LEEK

- a. **Large American Flag** – 120 days. Hardy 15-18” plants, blue-green leaves with long, thick, well-blanching white stalks. Good for fall and winter, grows very quickly. The standard variety for home gardens.

11. LETTUCE

- a. **Black Seeded Simpson** – Compact with light green, frilled leaves. Crisp interior. Popular home garden variety.
- b. **Bistro Salad Mix** – Well-flavored mix gives home gardeners a fresh gourmet salad in one planting. Offers many exotic leaf shapes, textures and colors, including deep red, bronze and many green shades.
- c. **Buttercrunch** – 65 days. Very tender 4 ½” rosettes.
- d. **Deer Tongue Red** - Tongue-like red blushed leaves with a plant that is larger than green Deer Tongue. Forms nice head, great in cool weather. Amish Heirloom.
- e. **Gourmet Blend** – 45-50 days. Popular loose-leaf blend, selected for a long harvest. Fast-growing, tender, colorful, and tolerant of hot weather. 45-50 days.
- f. **Great Lakes** – 90 day A head variety with large, erect outer leaves.
- g. **Meslun Blend** – Tasty and attractive blend of herbs and green includes arugula, mizuna, tatsai, endive, chervil, radicchio and kale.
- h. **Red Oak Leaf** - Burgundy oak leaf similar to Red Salad Bowl but with a more golden sheen. Forms a larger and more packed full-size lettuce than Red Salad Bowl and Oscarde.

12. MELON

- a. **Ball 1776** – 84 day One of the best tasting muskmelon type, with very sweet and heavily netted, 5 lb. fruit.
- b. **Burpee Ambrosia** – 86 days Luscious, extra-sweet, juicy melons with unique distinctive flavor. Extremely thick, firm flesh is delicious down to the rind. Fruits are medium size, 6 x 6”, average 4.5 – 5 lbs. each because the meat is so thick and the seed cavity is so small. Resistant to powdery mildew.
- c. **Burpee Hybrid** – 82 days Improved to resist powdery mildew, this outstanding variety is still the growers’ choice. High yields – excellent quality, not as “musky” tasting as the original.
- d. **Delicious** – 83 days. The 2.5 lb. muskmelons have very tasty, orange flesh. The roughly textured rind has distinct ribs and sparse netting.

- e. *Earli-Dew* – 80 days. An excellent-flavored honeydew type with 2.5 to 3 lb. fruit. A good choice for northern climates.

13. ONION

- a. *White Sweet Spanish* – 110 days Midseason variety, tops for the North. Mild, sweet flavor raw, sautéed or deep fried.
- b. *Yellow Sweet Spanish* – 110 days Flavor never fades. Golden globes weigh up to a pound and keep well for their size.
- c. *Mercury* – 108 days. Produces red exterior and defined, deep red interior rings. Very uniform and firm with thin necks. Stores well and is widely adaptable.
- d. *Walla-Walla* – 125 days. Brown-skinned, mild, sweet onions.

14. PAK CHOI

- a. *Toy Choy* – Dwarf Chinese cabbage. Tiny bunches of crisp white, 4 to 5”-tall stalks with tender green leaves. Easy to harvest.

15. PUMPKIN

- a. *Atlantic Giant* – 125 days This variety has produced the world’s largest pumpkin, with weights in excess of 600 lbs. Suited primarily for exhibition, although the medium-orange flesh can be used for pies. Plants should be started in pots and transplanted to insure adequate growing season. Vines are very large and require a lot of space.
- b. *Howden* – 115 days A popular variety offering good yields of medium-large, deep orange pumpkins weighing 20 to 30 lbs.
- c. *Wee-B-Little* – 85 days. This is a true miniature pumpkin. Same shape as a typical Jack-O-Lantern but is scaled down to decorative size, weighing about 1 lb. Ripens to deep orange with smooth skin. Spineless stems for sturdy handles. Compact vines spread only 6-8’.

16. SQUASH - SUMMER

- a. Summer Crookneck – *Golden*– 53 days. Classic crookneck with bright yellow, bumpy skin.
- b. Peter Pan – *Summer Squash*, 49 days. Uniform, light green, 2 1/2 to 3” scallop squash has deep, meaty flesh. Compact with restricted runners.
- c. Yellow Straightneck – *Yellow Straight Neck* – 55 days Yellow-fruited Summer squash grows from 10-14” long.
- d. Zucchini – *Dark Green* – 46 days. Dark green, uniform, 8-10” fruit is easy to harvest on open, very productive bushes.

17. SQUASH – WINTER

- a. Acorn - *Early Hybrid* – 75 days. Semi-bush type, with many 5” dark green fruits. Excellent nutty flavor. Bake with butter and lemon pepper.
- b. Blue Hubbard – 110 days Fruit is 12” by 7”, weight 7-10 lbs. globular seed cavity with points on each end, light blue-gray in color. Rind is hard, thick warty with slight rib. Flesh orange, fine texture with a sweet flavor. A productive variety that has been popular for many years.
- c. Buttercup – *Sweet Mama* – 85 days Buttercup type with very dark green skin, weighing 2-3 lbs. each. Moderately thick sweet yellow flesh is nutty and dry like winter squash. Fruit sets similar to summer squash. Distinct bush type with single vine, short internodes. Excellent storage ability.

- d. **Butternut** – *Waltham* – 95 days. Cooks up sweet and tender. Smooth 9-10” fruits, filled with orange flesh. Huge yields.
- e. **Spaghetti** – *Vegetable Spaghetti* – 100 days Oblong, mid-size yellow fruits have a tasty interior that is a popular nutritious alternative for pasta. Harvested in late Summer and Fall, the fruit can be stored for several months in a cool, dry location.

18. SWISS CHARD

- a. **Bright Lights** – Tangy colorful leaves and stems are an excellent cooked vegetable for summer and a tremendous source of vitamins. Tolerant of hot weather and extremely easy to grow. Bright Lights stalks are shades of pink, crimson, orange, yellow, gold, purple and white. All are delicious- they’re at their best harvested young for salads or used as summer spinach.

19. WATERMELON

- a. **Crimson Sweet** – 80 days. An award-winning round variety with sweet, dark red flesh. Very widely adaptable and disease resistant.
- b. **Sugar Baby** – 75 days. Small “icebox” type with very sweet, fin-textured red flesh and few seeds. Round, dark green fruits are very early.

