# GROW IT YOURSELF



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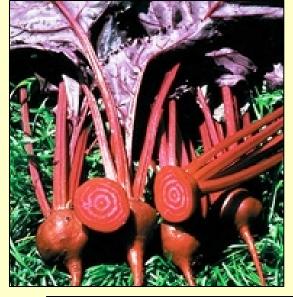
## Beet, White Beta *vulgaris*



- Days: 55
- Improved, whiterooted beet for specialty markets
- Round to slightly conical white roots
- Tall, all-green tops
- Soak seeds before planting

Blankoma White Beet

### Beet, Bull's Blood Beta vulgaris



- Days: 35 baby leaf
   58 roots
- Heirloom from 1840
- Dual purpose
   Sweet deep-burgundy foliage
   Harvest roots young
- Soak seeds before planting



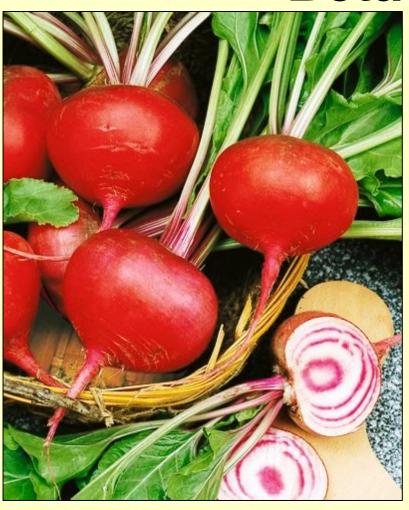
#### Beet Round Red Beta vulgaris



Red Ace F1

- Best all around beet
- Rapid growth 50 days
- Sweet flavor and tenderness
- Maintains sweet tenderness when larger and older
- Red-veined greens
- Soak seeds before planting

### Beet, Specialty OG Beta *vulgaris*



- Days: 55
- Improved strain of Chioggia
- Soak seeds before planting
- Selected for:
  - Better skin
  - Candy striping
  - Resistance to bolting

Heirloom from Italy

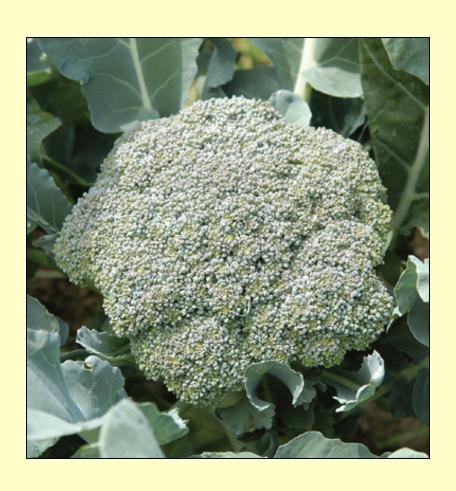




- Days: 63
- Big sturdy plants
- Heavy, firm, dark green domes
- Disease resistant
- Heat and cold tolerant



- Days: 49-59 early
- Produces medium sized head
- Powdery light-blue foliage
- Does not hold in the field as well as later varieties

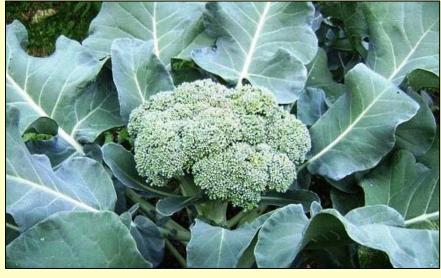


- Days: 63
- Medium sized plant
- Heads
  - Uniform
  - Smooth
  - Well-doomed
  - Very attractive

**Heat Tolerant** 

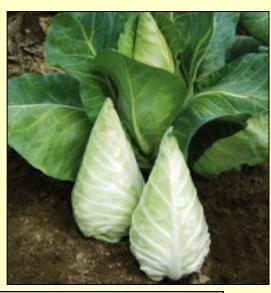


Waltham 29 OP



- Days 85-95
- Introduced in 1954
- Produces 4-8" heads
- Best flavor when they grow and mature with cooler weather

### Cabbage (OG) Brassica oleracea





Caraflex F1

- Days: 68
- Mini cone-shape and pointed
- 1 to 1-1/2 lbs
- Good wrapper leaves for insect & sun protection

### Cabbage (OG) Brassica oleracea



- Days 64 (early)
- Deep green 3lb heads
- Good standing ability in field without splitting

#### Cabbage, Red Brassica oleracea



Red Express OP

- Days: 60-63
- Mini heads
  - Weighing in around 2-4lbs.
- Suitable for planting in close spaces
- Split resistant

### Carrots Daucus carota



- Days 36 Baby 54 Full
- Slender-Cylindrical (6" – 7")
- Crisp sweet flavor roots "pencil carrots"
- Holds sweet taste even in warm weather
- Widely adapted
- Short tops

### Carrots Daucus carota



- Days 70-73
- 2006 All American Selections winner
- Purple skin with bright orange interior
- Cooking will cause color to fade, best suited for eating raw
- Sweet flavor
- Tapered roots (7" − 8")
- Medium-short tops

### Carrots Daucus carota



White Satin F1

- Days 68
- Pure white roots
- Cylindrical roots (avg. 8")
- Sweet flavor
- Adaptable to difficult growing conditions
- Tall tops

### Collards Brassica oleracea





- Days: 60
- More compact and erect then most "Vate" varieties
- Leaves retain their eating quality up to 2 weeks longer than traditional varieties
- Bolt resistant

Champion

#### Greens, Mustard B*rassica juncea*



- Days:
  - 21 Baby/45 Full
- Popular "red" mustard from Japan
- Large, purple-tinted leaves
- Mild mustard flavor
- Large, dark, narrowstemmed leaves

**Red Giant** 

OG

### Pac (Pak) Choi Brassica rapa subsp. chinensis



 Days 45 full size (8"-10")

Use as micro green, baby leaf, and full size

- Changes from dark green leaves with maroon veins at micro size to dark maroon leaves with green undersides full size
- Prefers cool weather, perform relatively well in warm weather

Red Choi F1

Adds a touch of red

### Asian Green *Brassica rapa Narinosa*





Tatsoi OG

- Days:
  - 21 Baby/45 Full
- Leaves form a compact, thick rosette
- Mild flavor
  - Salads
  - Stir-fries
- Plant 6 to 8" apart
- Perfect for fall and spring

#### Kale Brassica oleracea



- Days:
  - 30 Baby/ 45 Full
- Dark green, blistered leaves
  - "Dinosaur" type
  - Savoyed
- Tolerant to hot & cold

Toscano

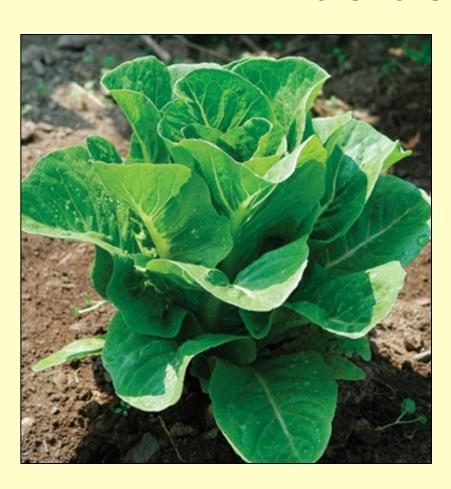
#### Lettuce, Romaine/COS



- Days: 45
- Compact mini-head
- Average height 8"
- Pelleted seed
  - NOP compliant

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#### Lettuce, Romaine/COS Lactuca sativa

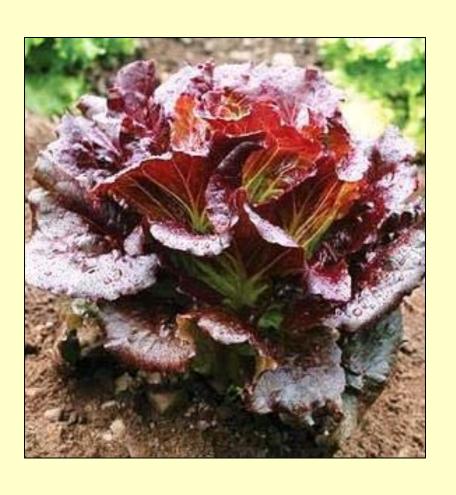


- Days: 46
- Mini romaine 9" tall
- Upright heads open at the top & taper to form a dense heart
- Pelleted seed
  - NOP Compliant

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Green/Claremont

#### Lettuce, Loose Leaf



- Days: 48
- Thick, crisp, dark red leaves with good flavor
- Very slow bolting with excellent tolerance to heat
- Resistant to Downy Mildew

#### Lettuce, Bibb Mini Head





Deer tongue OP

- Days: 30
- Heirloom
- Unique, tongueshaped leaves
- Excellent flavor
- Slow to bolt
- Both heat and cold tolerant

### Henderson's Black Seeded Simpson Lettuce



- Days: 45 70
- Prefers cooler weather to grow really well
- Loose leaf lettuce
- Leaves slightly curled
- Grows 6 to 7" tall
- Heirloom (1870"s)



Henderson's Black Seeded Simpson Lettuce OP

#### Lettuce, Mascara





- Days: 50 65
- Frilly oak-shaped leaves that keep their color in warm weather
- Bolt resistant
- Heirloom developed in Holland

#### Lettuce, Tropicana



- Days: 52 full head
- Full Leaf lettuce
- Best heat and bolt tolerance of standard dark green leaf types
- Pelleted seed
  - NOP compliant

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#### Radish Raphanus sativus



- Days: 25-30
- Crunchy slim 3" bicolor roots
- Heirloom: A pre-1885
   French heirloom with mild spicy flavor

French Breakfast OP

#### Radish Raphanus sativus



Red Meat "Watermelon" OP

- Days: 50
- Large 2" 4" ballshaped
- Green on the outside
- Pink inside
- Large tops
- Mild sweet flavor
- Heirloom: "Beauty Heart" of China

### Snow Pea Pisum sativum



Oregon Sugar Pod II OP

- Days: 70
- Bush plants that stay compact 24-30" tall
- High yielding
- Large, thick 4-5" tender and delicious pods
- Two pods per cluster
- Developed by Dr. James Baggett, of Oregon State University
- Pre-soak seeds a few hours before planting

#### Spinach Spinacia oleracea



- Days: 39
- Tried and True
- Smooth leaf slightly savoyed
- Resistant to downy mildew
- Immature plants may bolt if exposed to frosts
- Soak seeds before planting

#### Swiss Chard Beta vulgaris



**Bright Lights** 

- Days:
  - 28 Baby/ 55 Bunching
- Lightly savoyed green leaves
- Stems of many colors
- Flavor is mild
- 20" plants
- Will re-grow if leaves are cut back to 2" from crown

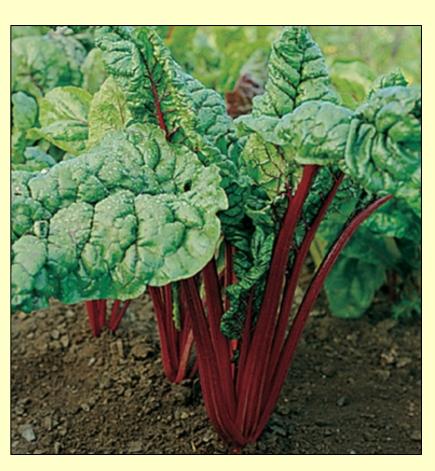
### Swiss Chard Beta vulgaris



- Days:
  - 33 Baby/ 60 Bunching
- Dark green leaves
- Pink and White stems
- Excellent in salad mix

**Peppermint** 

## Swiss Chard Beta vulgaris



- Days:
  - 32 Baby/ 59 Bunching
- Candy-apple red stems w/dark green, red-veined leaves
- Immature plants may bolt if exposed to frosts



### Standard Feed 1236 Kings Road 32204







# From: 1010 N McDuff Ave. 32254 Going south on McDuff toward Commonwealth 0.4 miles

- Turn left onto W Beaver Street / US-90
  - 1.8 miles
- Turn left onto Myrtle Avenue N
  - -0.3 miles
- Turn right onto Kings Rd/US-23 / SR-139
  - .09 miles
- 1236 Kings Road is on the right
  - If you reach Minnie Street you've gone too far
     Standard Feed 1236 Kings Road

#### Upcoming Programs

#### "Eating and Growing Seasonably"

Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup> Extension Office 9AM – 1PM Cost is \$10.

#### "Growing Vegetables in Containers"

Including: How to Make a Grow Bucket and
Passive Hydroponics (Growing Lettuce)
Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup>
Field Office off of Superior St. (call for directions)
9AM – NOON \$5.00 Limited Space

Call Jeannie Crosby @ 255-7450 to register

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