

## 2018 Plant Listing

### Spooner Ag Research Station Teaching & Display Garden



\*For plants that are denoted AAS for All-America Selections, a more detailed description can be found at <https://all-americanselections.org>.

The following list of plants are in the vegetable garden area located on the south end of the Teaching & Display Garden. For an overview of this space see our garden map.

Salsa Bed	Root Crop Bed	Pepper Bed
<b>Mulched Walkway</b>		
Cut Flowers	Brassica Bed	Bossa Nova Bed

#### Salsa Bed

[Red Burgermaster, Onion](#): A large bulb with crisp red skin. Matures in 110 days.

[White Sweet Spanish, Onion](#): A large onion with a very mild flavor. Excellent for soups and salads. 115 days until maturity.

[Supremo, Tomato](#): A Roma tomato style, which means it's excellent for canning and sauces. This tomato is determinate but can bear a large yield. 68 days until maturity.

[Big Bertha, Sweet Pepper](#): A thick pepper that is excellent for slicing. Has a beautiful dark red color when fully ripe. 72 days until harvest.

[Cilantro](#): An extremely easy and tasty herb to spice up your garden. Its flowers attract beneficial insects.

#### Garlic: (garlic is planted in Oct and harvested in early August)

German Red- This variety produces outstanding yields with 7-10 cloves per head. Large bulbs that store well. Grows best in cold weather and has a good strong flavor. Very vigorous, large, easily peeled red-skinned hardneck. Filaree Farm

Estonian Red- Heirloom garlic originating in Denmark. This is a marbled purple striped garlic with mild flavor, its size can rival elephant garlic.

Musik- Italian variety brought back to Canada from Al Music in 1980's from his homeland. Hailed as one of the best varieties for consistent year after year yields. White 2 ½-3 inch bulbs with a hint of pink on the wrappers. Sweet pungent flavor with very tight, durable heads. Seed Savers

German Extra Hardy- Vigorous grower with long roots that enable it to overwinter without heaving out of the ground. Outside skin is ivory-white, clove skin is dark red. Strong raw flavor, high sugar content, one of the best for roasting. Good keeper, hardneck. 4-7 cloves per bulb-organic.

Great Siberian- This garlic really lives up to it's name when it comes to thriving in the cold weather. A top-notch producer in cool climates. 7-8 cloves per head are protected by an attractive light pink skin that becomes even redder when grown in high-iron soil. Medium to strong flavor, that boosts the immune system and enhances circulation. Seed Savers

## **Root Crop Bed: (the first crop of radish is harvested in late June a second crop is planted in late July)**

[Ruby Queen, Beet](#): The Ruby Queen beet is a deliciously dark red beet with a smooth yet rich texture. An "All-America Selections" winner, Ruby Queen produces early and is fabulous canned or pickled. 55 days until mature. **AAS 1957**

[Avalanche, Beet](#): A beet that is white in color and has no earthy flavor. A quick grower that is ready for harvest in 50 days. **AAS 2015**

[Roxanne, Radish](#): A bright red outside followed up by a uniform white inside. These radishes can still taste great when overgrown and not crack. Can be grown in 4-inch deep pots. **AAS 2015**

[Sweet Baby, Radish](#): A unique elongated, purple radish. The insides of the root are mostly white with streaks and splashes of purple. This is a very mild, yet delicious radish. Matures in 40 days. **AAS 2016**

[Champion, Radish](#): A super quick and easy radish. It has lush red skin, and a perfect round shape. Can be kept long without becoming woody. Matures in 25 days. **AAS 1957**

[Touchstone Gold, Beet](#): This beet has a sweeter flavor than red beets. It can be used in numerous ways. Matures in 60 days.

[Boldor, Beet](#): Extremely similar to the Touchstone Gold beet. What separates this variety is its germination, seedling vigor, and a lighter color. Matures in 55 days.

## **Pepper Bed**

[Mad Hatter](#): An exotic shaped fruit when fully shaped. As the name says, the fruit is hat shaped. It has a sweet and delicious flavor. Can be eaten at any stage. 70 days until mature green and around 90 days until fully ripe red. **AAS 2017**

[Aji Rico](#): A quick growing chili pepper that has slender and thin fruit. It can be eaten at any stage. It can pack quite a bit of heat. Ready for green peppers in 55 days, fully mature in 75 days. **AAS 2017**

[Escamillo](#): This pepper plant grows fruits to full maturity from transplants in 77 days. They produce large golden yellow fruits with a sweet flavor. These pepper plants are compact and early bloomers making them great choices for home gardens. Great raw, cooked, or fire roasted. **AAS 2016**

[Red Ember](#): A cayenne pepper that produces a quickly maturing fruit. It produces a slender and long red fruit. It is tastier than normal cayenne peppers. 75 days until ripe red. **AAS 2018**

[Chili Pie](#): A small bell pepper, when fully mature it can bring a little bit of heat. The plant has dark green foliage. The plant is generally compact making it great for containers. 70 days until harvest. **AAS 2017**

[Mama Mia Giallo](#): A sweet Italian pepper that reaches harvest in 125 days from seed or 85 days from transplants. It produces long golden yellow or orange fruits. They have a nice sweet flavor and are great for grilling, roasting or eating fresh. Tolerant to Tobacco mosaic virus. **AAS 2014**

[Cornito Giallo](#): This pepper plant produces mature fruits in 75 days from transplants. This plant produces large yellow fruits that have a fruity flavor. They produce plentiful amounts of fruits that are durable. Great cooked, raw, or fire roasted. **AAS 2016**

## **Cut Flower Bed**

[White Dill](#): (Annual) This Queen's Anne's Lace in reality is White Dill from Johnny's Seed named Ammi Seed and used for cut flower bouquets. Directly planted in soil. Days to maturity 65 to 75 days. Lacy flower heads of 5 to 6" across.

Liatris: (Perennial) Liatris spicata corms are grown from bulbs and not seeds. These flowers are unusual since they flower starting at the top of the stem and flower downward. Both white and purplish lavender have been planted. Liatris are hardy in zones 3-8. Flowers usually appear the first year, approximately 70 to 90 days after planting, and the plants will rebloom for many years to come.

Zinnias: (Annual) Oklahoma Mix. This mix is an essential component of any cut flower offering. Prolific 1 1/2 to 2 1/2 inch double and semi-double blooms. Height 30 to 40" and days to maturity is 60 to 90 days.

Sunflowers: (Annual) The sunflowers were directly planted in soil in early June. The sunflowers are tall, with strong stems and single stem with 3 to 4" blooms. Also Pollenless. Ht. 60 to 72", 50 to 60 days to maturity. Large seeds for planting. All seeds germinated. 60 days to maturity.

Gladiolus: Gladiolus is a genus of perennial corms flowering plant. The flower stalks can grow 2 to 4' tall while only spreading 1 foot wide. Once the gladiolas have bloomed, and leaves have started to yellow, cut back the foliage to the ground and dig the corms. Let the corms dry in a warm airy location and out of direct sunlight for three weeks. Store in mesh bag in a well ventilated dark room at temperatures of 35 to 50 degrees.

Statice: (Annual) Grown from seed. A papery and delicate statice flowers are excellent cuts flower arrangements and additions for dried arrangements. Also, a great filler for floral arrangements. Variety of colors. Dates to maturity is 110 to 120 days.

**Brassica Bed (like other cool season crops some are harvested in early summer and other can be harvested later)**

Katarina, Cabbage: A quick cabbage variety, reaching harvest in 55 days from seed or 45 days from transplanting. This is a smaller variety and can be planted in containers or in smaller gardens. It has a sweeter and less bitter flavor than other varieties. Smaller heads will develop after the main head is removed. **AAS 2016**

Prizm, Kale: Ready for harvest after 50 to 60 days from seed or 35 to 45 from transplanting. This is a smaller variety of kale making it a great choice for in-ground beds or containers. This plant can also be harvested throughout the year. It has a nutty flavor to its leaves. **AAS 2016**

Konan, Kohlrabi: This kohlrabi is ready to harvest after 50 days from seed or 42 days from transplanting. This variety has been bred for a smoother shape and upright leaves. The upright leaves prevent some insect damage. The bulb has a sweet taste to it. **AAS 2016**

Bopak, Pak Choi: An excellent tasting variety. It was bred for a more compact size, which makes it excellent for containers. Great for soups, stews and grilling. Matures in 45 days. **AAS 2015**

Asian Delight, Pak Choi: A variety that has been noted to not bolt. This allows for huge yields when it comes time to harvest. Great for successive planting. Matures in 40 days. **AAS 2018**

**Bossa Nova Bed (a full bed or AAS zucchini as if one plant it's enough 😊)**

Bossa Nova, Summer Squash: A beautiful plant with a beautiful fruit. It produces quickly and will continuously produce until the frost ends it. The fruit has a sweeter taste to it and is great for breads, frying, and even grilling. **AAS 2015**

Vine Tomato Bed	Bean Trellis	Bush Tomato Bed
Bean Trellis	Center Piece	Bean Trellis
Heirloom Tomato Bed	Bean Trellis	Heirloom Tomato Bed

**Tomato diseases can be a challenge. None of the plants are sprayed with fungicide and we do our best to manage disease with mulches, pruning and training.**

### **Indeterminate (Vine) Tomato Bed**

[Chef's Choice Orange](#): A delicious looking, orange colored tomato. Highly disease resistant. The flavor and color of this tomato does not fade when cooked making it an excellent choice. Matures in 75 days. **AAS 2014**

[Chef's Choice Pink](#): A large beefsteak tomato that has a unique pink color. It has been bred for high disease tolerance as well. **AAS 2015**

[Midnight Snack](#): A unique cherry tomato. This plant is loaded with antioxidants which give the entire plant, including the fruit, a purple color. The flavor and aroma of the fruit is different than normal but still very tasty. **AAS 2017**

[Valentine](#): A very attractive looking fruit. The grape tomato look with a very deep red stands out. The flavor that comes with it is very refreshing and sweet. It has a very similar look and taste to Roma tomatoes. Matures in 55 days. **AAS 2018**

### **Determinate (Bush) Tomato Bed**

[Candyland Red](#): A currant type of tomato. The plant produces dark red colored fruit and tend to be grown on the outside of the plant, allowing for easier harvesting. Matures in 55 days. **AAS 2016**

[Patio Choice Yellow](#): A compact plant perfect for... patios. This plant prolifically produces small yellow tomatoes that not only look good but taste great. Matures in 45 days. **AAS 2015**

[Fantastico](#): An extremely quick and strong producer. This plant is generally more blight resistant. The fruits of this variety resist cracking more than others when left too long. Matures in 50 days. **AAS 2014**

[Red Racer](#): A tiny cocktail sized tomato. Don't let the size fool you, this tomato is loaded with flavor. They will form in clusters on this bushy plant. 57 days until maturity. **AAS 2018**

### **Heirloom Tomato Beds**

[San Marzano](#): An indeterminate plant. This is the classic Italian paste tomato with rich, complex and sweet flavors. This type of tomato is essential for making traditional Napolitano sauces and whole canned tomatoes. The large plants produce loads of small, elongated red tomatoes late in the season and will need to be staked. 80 days to maturity.

[Mexico Midget](#): An indeterminate plant. This tomato plant produces tons of cherry tomatoes all season long. They taste excellent and are great for salads. Matures in 70 days.

[Yugo Pink](#): Also known as the Crnkovic Yugoslavian. Produces vigorous, indeterminate, regular-leaf tomato plants that yield large amounts of extra-large, 1-2 pound, slightly flattened, pink beefsteak tomatoes that are full-flavored, deliciously juicy. A crack-resistant tomato variety. If you can't pronounce the name...the taste will make up for the difficulty. A great tomato for eating fresh in salads or sliced thick for sandwiches. Open pollinated. 80 days to maturity.

[Prudens Purple](#): An indeterminate type heirloom that can produce very large fruits over one pound. Often favorably compared with the illustrious Brandywine, the gold standard of heirloom tomatoes. Fruits are flattened, smooth and resist cracking. This medium tall plant produces fruits that have a vivid dark pink skin with crimson flesh and few seeds. Fruits have a firm, meaty texture.

[German Johnson](#): An indeterminate heirloom which bears 12-24 oz. fruit with smooth tops. They are very productive and resistant to disease. Originally grown in West Virginia, this heirloom was one of the parent lines for another cherished heirloom: the legendary Mortgage Lifter. With

pinkish-red skin and nearly seedless meaty, mild flesh, the large, lobed fruits are a favorite variety for both slicing and canning.

**Mortgage Lifter**: This huge heirloom beefsteak (up to 4 lb.; average 2 1/2 lb.) consistently wins taste-tests. Developed in the 1930s by a gardener who planted the four biggest varieties he knew and crossed one with pollen from the other three. He did this for six seasons and created a variety that produced immense, tasty fruit. He sold the plants for \$1 apiece and paid off his \$6000 mortgage in 6 years. 80 days until maturity.

**Brandywine**: Heirloom. This popular beefsteak-sized, Amish tomato produces rosy pink fruits loaded with an old-fashioned tomato taste that has been prized for decades. It is considered one of the benchmarks for intense tomato flavor. The indeterminate vines are vigorous, so use tall cages. Vines yield tomatoes that ripen gradually until frost. Plants have “potato leaf” foliage. The tangy taste of Brandywine is a gourmet cook’s delight. Matures in 80-100 days.

**Opalka**: Without a doubt, this is one of the best tasting sauce tomatoes you'll find. Flavor is much richer and sweeter than other paste tomatoes, so delicious you can eat them right off the vine. Sauces using the nearly seedless fruits are something special. The bright red elongated 3 to 5 inch fruits are produced in clusters of 2 to 5 on vigorous, high-yielding, indeterminate plants. Fruits hold well on the vine. Matures in 85 days

**Cherokee Purple**: An indeterminate heirloom. The plant bears 12-16oz attractive dark pink-purple fruits that have an excellent complex flavor. These have a slightly sweet aftertaste and are perfect for slicing. Its flavor is rich and full—often compared with Brandywine. This large tomato from Tennessee is rumored to have come from Cherokee gardeners.

**Russian Persimmon**: An indeterminate, beefsteak type. This is a very attractive yellowish-orange tomato originally from Russia. The flavor is outstanding, with significantly more acid than in most yellow tomatoes. These short plants are less than 4 ft. tall, but bear an abundance of these striking tomatoes that can weigh up to 1 lb. Performs well in short-season areas.

**Stupice**: A great indeterminate, potato leaf variety that comes from Czechoslovakia. This variety is among the earliest producers and has an excellent flavor for an early type. The fruit is considered to be rich and tangy. It is perfect for gardeners in northern climates with short summers. These produce lots of red, small to medium sized fruit over a very long season.

**Black Krim**: This variety hails from the Black Sea, near the Crimean Peninsula of Russia, where warm influences from the Black Sea make summers perfect for growing tomatoes. Heat-tolerant Black Krim has a dark brown-red color that gets even darker in hotter weather. Always a favorite in taste tests, Black Krim has a flavor that is described as tangy, rich, and sweet. It makes beautiful dark slices. Black Krim is prone to cracking, so be sure to water regularly, especially when there is not enough rain, to avoid cycles of wet-to-dry-to-wet-to-dry soil that causes the fruit to crack. Vigorous plants grow best with strong staking or tall cages.

**Sun Gold**: This treat of a tomato is one of the garden’s sweetest. Children will eat them like candy. Sun Gold ripens in long clusters of 10 to 15 fruits. The sweet flavor is ready about a week before full coloring. Wait to pick fruits at their deepest hue and you’ll experience a richly sweet, fruity flavor. Eat fruits as a healthy snack, add to green salads, or mix into fruit salad. The indeterminate vines are resistant to many diseases: verticillium wilt (V), fusarium (F), and tobacco mosaic virus (TMV). Matures in 55-65 days.

**Juliet**: Slightly larger than the well-known Santa grape tomato, Juliet bears delicious, sweet fruit on indeterminate vines. Some gardeners refer to it as a mini Roma because of the shape. The wonderfully sweet fruit are crack resistant and remain in good condition on the vine longer than most cherry tomatoes. The fruit are as soft and juicy as cherry tomatoes, they hold up well in salads, even leftovers, and they have a longer shelf life so you can keep them on hand without picking every day. The vigorous vines set lots of fruit on long trusses and keep setting fruit throughout the summer. Quite heat and blight tolerant. Vines are long and vigorous, so give the plant room to tumble over its cage. One of the longest-lasting tomatoes in the garden. Hybrid. Matures in 60 days.

**Big Beef**: For years gardeners wanted a large, beefsteak-type tomato that was delicious, early to bear, and highly disease resistant. Finally, in 1994 those wishes came true with Big Beef. The

large fruit has old-time tomato flavor and the vines are resistant to many of the problems that can discourage gardeners. The fruit is borne on vigorous, indeterminate vines from summer until frost. Compared to other beefsteak types, Big Beef is early and will set fruit reliably even in cool, wet weather. Resistant to Verticillium wilt (V), Fusarium wilt (F) races 1 and 2, Nematodes (N), and Alternaria Stem Canker (ASC), gray leaf spot (St), and Tobacco Mosaic Virus (TMV). 73 days until mature.

[Blondkopfchen](#): An indeterminate cherry tomato that sets flowers in massive floods. The name of the plant translates to "little blonde girl." The color of the tomato when fully ripe does in fact look blonde. Considered one of the best tasting tomatoes. Takes 75 days to mature.

[Amish Paste](#): Indeterminate. An heirloom tomato that can rival the Roma. It is known that this tomato boasts flavor when it is used in various canned foods. Matures in 80 days.

[Beefsteak](#): Indeterminate. A traditional looking tomato. The fruit is large and lush red. It has a mild flavor which makes it great for sandwiches. Matures in 90 days.

### **Center Piece Bed**

[Mammoth, Sunflower](#): A mammoth of a plant, it can grow up to 12 feet tall. The flower head can be one-foot across. This is a plant that more than likely won't produce more than one head. The seeds of this flower are edible and will attract the birds!

[Arikara, Sunflower](#): A 10-foot-tall variety of sunflower. This plant can produce more than one head. The flowers are massive and the seeds it produces are edible.

[Suntastic, Sunflower](#): A dwarf sunflower, with numerous heads. The flowers appear in waves making this plant a never-ending show. Matures in 65 days. **AAS 2014**

[Hansel, Eggplant](#): This plant has had a lot of negative things bred out of it. The purple skin of this plant will not over bitter the flavor. The fruit has a lower seed count compared to other eggplants. Mature in 55 days after transplanting. **AAS 2008**

[Gretel, Eggplant](#): A very small, and quick eggplant. This plant produces white fruits. The plant can grow to around 3 to 4 feet tall and can spread to around 3 feet. After transplanting the plant is mature in 55 days. **AAS 2009**

### **Bean Trellises (like all trellising plants, they do need assistance in finding their way onto their support structures, easier said than done sometimes)**

[Potomac](#): A highly productive plant. Can grow up to 9 feet tall. The beans it produces are extremely tasty. They are stringless, and have a hooked end. Matures in 65 days. **AAS 1943**

[Streamline Runner](#): An extremely unique looking bean. The bean itself is a purple color with black splotches on it. The plant produces beautiful red flowers. The pods can grow up to 18 inches long.

[Cherokee Trail of Tears](#): This variety of bean is a shiny black. The pod is long and slender. The flower the plant produces is purple. Allegedly the bean was carried by the Cherokee while traveling the famous "Trail of Tears." Matures in 65 days.

[Rattlesnake](#): This plant is unique all around. The pod will have purple streaks in it. The bean itself is almost identical to a rattlesnake pattern. This a very delicious variety, and thankfully it grows extremely well. Matures in 65 days.

Pumpkin Patch and Cover Crops
<b>Mulch Walkway</b>
Small Vines and Cover Crops

## **Pumpkin Patch and Cover Crops**

**Cover Crops:** This is a soil conservation method in which plants are seeded to keep the soil covered, reducing soil erosion. They also provide extra organic matter. Certain cover crops bring different bonuses.

**Annual Rye:** A tall plant that when planted thick can overcome weeds, before it produces seed it should be cut down and can create a mat for the soil.

**Mix of Tillage Radish and Clover:** The tillage radishes are planted to create aeration in the soil, by poking down into the soil. The clover is planted alongside it to provide extra nitrogen to the soil.

**Pepitas:** The newest All-America Selections award-winning pumpkin, Pepitas, is a winner in both the decorative and culinary arenas. Pepitas is named for its hull-less or naked seeds (pepitas) that lack the tough outer hull making them easy to eat after slow-roasting. Pepitas are a delicious and nutritious treat, with many health benefits! Each high yield plant produces numerous, uniform medium sized (9 – 12 pounds) pumpkins on healthy, disease resistant vines. This confectionery type of pumpkin produces beautiful orange fruits that at maturity have decorative green stripes. What an interesting change of pace for your fall decorations. 90 days until maturity. **AAS 2016**

**Supermoon:** Love the look of white pumpkins for your fall holiday décor? Then you will love our first-ever white pumpkin AAS Regional Winner Super Moon F1. Our judges loved the nice, eye-appealing ghostly white coloration on the large, blemish-free round pumpkins. Grown for their size, up to 50 pounds, and their clean white color, these hardy plants are known for their early fruit development and vigorous growth. Their stems are tough, hardy, disease-resistant and unstoppable! When done decorating with these beauties, consider trying the yellow flesh for roasting or in your fall harvest soups. 90 days until mature. **AAS 2016**

**Cinderellas Carriage:** Cinderella's Carriage is a dream come true for any princess-loving child who wants to grow their own fairy tale type pumpkin. This bright reddish-orange pumpkin is the first hybrid Cinderella-type pumpkin on the market which results in a higher yield as well as Powdery Mildew resistance in the garden. Robust and vigorous vines produce large fruits ranging from 25-35 pounds, creating a whole grouping of carriages for all the princesses in your family. Magical pink-red colored fruit shaped like the pumpkin carriage from the fairy tale Cinderella. Some lucky gardeners could also experience a pale blue pumpkin. Large trailing vine sets up to 5-7 fruit per plant. Well suited for fall decorations and baking. Flesh is yellow, sweet and has a nutty flavor. 100 days. **AAS 2014**

## **Small Vines and Cover Crops**

Annual Rye can be used as a living mulch in between rows or in designated walk ways, it must be managed somewhat through occasional mowing.

**Butterscotch, Squash:** This adorable small-fruited butternut squash has an exceptionally sweet taste perfect for just one or two servings. Compact vines are space-saving for smaller gardens or those who just want to fit more plants into the space they have. This is another AAS Winner that is perfect for container gardens and will resist powdery mildew later in the season. 85 days from transplanting. **AAS 2015**

**Pick A Bushel, Cucumber:** This cucumber sets early and prolifically. The cucumber can be grown in containers due to its compact size. Its fruits can set up to 6" in size. **AAS 2014**

**Martini, Cucumber:** A unique white colored cucumber. This fruit is bitter free, and the outside won't turn yellow. This cucumber is monoecious, meaning a flower is both male and female.

**Tasty Jade, Cucumber:** A Japanese cucumber. This is a very slender, pencil like, cucumber. This makes it excellent for slicing. It is bitter-free, and great for trellising. 54 days until mature.

[Gold in Gold, Watermelon](#): A tasty watermelon with a golden outer shell. The other unique part of this variety is the gold colored inside flesh. It can produce up to a 16-pound fruit. Matures in 70 days after transplanting. **AAS 2017**

[Melemon, Melon](#): A honey dew melon. This melon is an early grower, with a high yield. The fruit it can produce have a more citrusy flavor. Matures in 80 days. **AAS 2013**

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Heirloom Peppers and Tomatoes	Three Sisters Bed	Brassica Bed	Orange Sherbet Melon Bed

### **Heirloom Tomato Bed**

Yugoslavian Pink: See above

[Paul Robeson](#): A variety that has a brick color to it. The flavor in this tomato has a sweet and smoky flavor. Mature after 90 days.

Pruden's Purple: See above

Big Beef: See above

[Speckled Roman](#) (Treated): Indeterminate. A tomato made for processing. Its outer skin has yellow streaks in the usual red tomato color. Mature after 85 days.

Speckled Roman (Untreated): See above

German Johnson: See above

### **Bush Bean Bed**

[Cherokee Wax](#): This plant produces purple flowers. The pods are yellow and have a wonderful flavor. They can be used for canning, freezing and eating raw. They have an excellent flavor. Mature in 51 days. **AAS 1948**

[Blue Lake 274](#): A high producing plant. When eaten it feels nearly fiber free. A very traditional looking bean, still tasty. Mature in 58 days.

[Burgundy Royale Purple](#): A bean plant that produces beautiful purple pods. However, when cooked, the purple fades back into green. The pods are still delicious. They are great frozen, boiled or even raw.

[Mascotte](#): A very compact bush bean. The pods produced by this plant are crunchy and are narrower than normal. But this makes it great for limited spaces. Matures in 50 days. **AAS 2014**

[Tongue of Fire](#): A unique looking bean. The pods of this plant have a pink or red molting look to it, hence the name of the variety. This bean is said to pick up the flavor of the dish it is made in. They are great for baking, or even as a snap bean early on. Matures in 70 days.

### **Root Crop Bed (carrots and beets can be planted in mid-summer for a late fall harvest, getting a good stand can be a challenge in mid-summer due to lack of moisture)**

[Scarlet Nantes, Carrot](#): A tasty storage carrot. This carrot can grow up to 8 inches. It seems to be coreless when eaten. It is an easy grower. 70 days until harvest.

[Imperator, Carrot](#): A simple heirloom variety. Has a broad top that narrows down to the tip. An easy grower. Can grow up to 8 inches.



[Rainbow Blend, Carrots](#): A seed blend of Lunar White, Solar Yellow, Cosmic Purple, and Atomic Red carrots.

**Badger Torch, Beet**: This is a new variety of beet developed by UW-Madison. It has a cylindrical shape and an orange yellow color, when peeled and held up it looks like a torch.

[Purple Top White Globe, Turnip](#): A longtime favorite. This turnip has a sweet flavor and its young greens can be cooked up as well. The tops can be pink to purple. They also can grow to 6 inches across. 55 days until fully mature.

[American Purple Top, Rutabaga](#): As the name implies, the tops of this variety are purple. The lower parts are white, and the interior is white possibly even yellow. Ready for harvest after 90 days.

[Watermelon, Radish](#): A unique looking plant. The outside of the radish is white. While the inside is a sharp pink color. The flavor has been noted to be mild and sweet. Can be used for salads, garnishes, and cooking.

### **First Kiss Melon Bed**

[First Kiss, Melon](#): A super tasty cantaloupe that grows rather quickly. The inner flesh has a beautiful orange tone. The plant itself is very disease resistant. You'll know when these are ripe, the fruits will easily just fall off the vine. Matures in 70 days.

### **Mixed Pepper Bed (peppers as especially prone to aborting flower blossoms if the day or night temperatures are not ideal, some varieties appear to be more sensitive to this)**

[Giant Marconi](#): An Italian style pepper. This one is great for grilling. The flavor it brings is sweet and smoky. It is resistant to mosaic virus. Mature after 72 days. **AAS 2001**

[King of the North](#): A pepper that loves cooler climates. It is known for its high yielding plants. The bells ripen to red until the frost comes. Mature in 68 days.

[Healthy](#): A sweet pepper with a cone shape. The plant is resistant to a large amount of diseases, hence the name; Healthy. 70 days until its mature.

[Wisconsin Lakes](#): A pepper that is great for short growing seasons. The fruit is thick, and bell shaped. It boasts a beautiful shade of red as well. Mature in 75-85 days.

[Ruby King](#): This plant produces a large, red, and sweet bell pepper. It matures quickly, at only 70 days. These are great for frying.

[Early Jalapeno](#): This jalapeno can have many fruit set and still stay intact. The plant grows up to 2 feet tall. They are the hottest when the pepper fully ripens to red. Matures in 66 days.

[Hungarian Yellow Hot Wax](#): This variety is great for short growing seasons but can continue growing through the whole season. The fruits have a medium heat but can get hot if left to ripen. Mature in 70 days.

[New Ace](#): Another pepper that is great for short climates. This bell pepper has a great sweet flavor. Mature in 62 days.

[Flavorburst](#): The fruit turns from lime green to a bright orange. This pepper has excellent tasting sweet bell peppers. They are a medium size. Fully ripe in 87 days.

[Karma](#): A heavy setting plant that produces tons of sweet red bell peppers. This plant will need staking because of how many fruits that will be set. 68 days until mature.

[Trinidad Perfume](#): Has the look of habanero peppers but in neat little fruits. There is no heat with this pepper. This makes it great for pickling and eating raw. Mature in 80-85 days.

[Golden Treasure](#): An Italian style pepper. This pepper ripens from green to a golden orange color. They are sweet and great for frying and grilling. Matures in 80 days.

**Three Sisters Bed (in general this consists of planting corn, pole beans and winter squash in a mixed bed planting, there are lots of variations on this techniques)**

[Sonca Orange Butternut, Squash](#): It is like the standard butternut squash. However, this one can be marbled with green. This is a Hungarian variety. It has a notably tastier flavor than other butternut squashes.

[Rattlesnake, Bean](#): This plant is unique all around. The pod will have purple streaks in it. The bean itself is almost identical to a rattlesnake pattern. This a very delicious variety, and thankfully it grows extremely well. Matures in 65 days.

[American Dream, Sweet Corn](#): The kernels are sweet and tender. This variety, compared to others, germinates extremely well. This plant will grow up to 7 feet tall. It will take about 77 days to be ready for harvest. **AAS 2018**

[Sweet Honey Select, Sweet Corn](#): This is a healthy variety which also boasts great flavor. It has been noted that it doesn't need to be separated from other corn pollen for its great flavor. The ears can grow to about 8 inches long. This plant is mature at about 79 days. **AAS 2001**

[Bodacious, Sweet Corn](#): This variety has great longevity after harvest. This variety doesn't require being separated from other varieties to maintain its flavor. The strong stalk of this corn plant can grow up to 7 feet tall. Matures in 75 days.

### **Brassica Bed**

[Snow Crown, Cauliflower](#): This variety has great seedling vigor. The head it forms is medium sized and tastes great. 50 days until mature. **AAS 1975**

[Graffiti, Cauliflower](#): A purple colored cauliflower head. It forms a true head despite its unique look. This showy treat can be eaten with dips or cooked like a normal cauliflower. Matures in 80 days.

[Artwork, Broccoli](#): A baby stem variety of broccoli. It looks like other varieties until the first head is harvested. It will continuously form new heads all summer long. It is heat resistant, making it not bolt as frequently as other varieties. Mature in 85 days from seed or 55 days from transplanting. **AAS 2015**

[Jade Cross, Brussels Sprouts](#): It can grow up to two and a half feet tall. This variety is very productive and will have sprouts all the way up the stalk. This is a great tasting brussels sprout. **AAS 1959**

[Kossak, Kohlrabi](#): Kossak is a massive Kohlrabi variety. It can swell up to 8 inches wide. It is the best tasting before it elongates. These can be stored in the cold for up to 4 months. 80 days until mature.

Red Cabbage

### **Orange Sherbet Melon Bed**

[Orange Sherbet, Melon](#): A Tuscan style melon. This is a variety that is known for its flavor. Not only that but its scent is amazing. The fruit can grow up to 9lbs. It takes about 85 days for harvest.