

Roots to River Farm

2019 Plant Sale



VARIETY	ORIGIN	DESCRIPTION	
BASIL <i>GENOVESE</i>	ITALY OPEN- POLLINATED	Authentic basil flavor and appearance. Use in any recipe that calls for basil, or to garnish drinks, salads, soups, pasta, and desserts.	
CHIVES	MULTIPLE OPEN- POLLINATED	Flavor is of mild, sweet onion. Sprinkle salads, dips, sauces, soups, stir-fries, and pizza. Great as an addition to potato salad. Edible flowers	
CILANTRO <i>SANTO</i>	MULTIPLE OPEN- POLLINATED	This is the classic cilantro. Slow-bolting with lots of leaves. Eat the leaves, seeds, and flowers. Flowers beneficial for pollinators!	
LEMON VERBENA	MULTIPLE OPEN- POLLINATED	Lemon flavor and aroma. Excellent for culinary use and herbal remedies. White flowers. Pinch to encourage branching. Plants can be grown in containers	
MINT <i>SPEARMINT</i> & <i>MOJITO</i>	MULTIPLE OPEN- POLLINATED	Zesty, versatile herb. Use to flavor salad mix, main dishes, ice cream, and drinks. The flowers are used to garnish salads, soups, desserts, and drinks.	



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ROSEMARY
UPRIGHT

MULTIPLE
OPEN-
POLLINATED

Culinary favorite with savory, pine-scented foliage. Grows well in containers or garden beds.



PARSLEY
GIANT OF
ITALY

ITALY
OPEN-
POLLINATED

Traditional variety, huge, dark green leaves with great flavor. The preferred culinary variety.



THYME
KALEIDOSCOPE

GERMANY
OPEN-
POLLINATED

Perennial, Subtle and delicate, with zesty fragrance. Slender leaves with woody, thyme-like flavor. Excellent for flavoring green beans, veggies, poultry, or infused in vinegar.



FLOWERS 

NASTURTIUM

MULTIPLE
OPEN-
POLLINATED

Well-known mix of singles and doubles. These bright, 2" blooms of red, pink, orange, and yellow are held above light-green foliage. Also known as garden nasturtium and Indian cress.



RUDBECKIA

MULTIPLE
OPEN-
POLLINATED

Profuse blooms of bright yellow flowers with small black/brown centers. Native wildflower perfect to accent bouquets. Attracts beneficial pollinators. Also known as brown-eyed Susan



VARIETY**ORIGIN****DESCRIPTION****ZINNIA****MULTIPLE
OPEN-
POLLINATED**

Densely petaled blooms are up to 6" across. Vigorous all-season producers hold up well to summer rain and heat. Stunning in bouquets.



VEGETABLES

VARIETY**ORIGIN****DESCRIPTION****BROCCOLI
*BELSTAR*****MULTIPLE
HYBRID**

Heads are medium-green and well domed with a medium-sized bead. Strong, stress tolerant plants

**CHARD
*BRIGHT
LIGHTS*****MULTIPLE
HYBRID**

Striking blend of pink, white, yellow, and gold stems. Versatile cooking green.

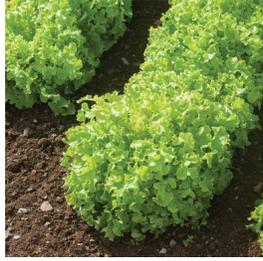
**CUCUMBER
*MARKETMORE*****MULTIPLE
OPEN-
POLLINATED**

Long, slender, dark green cucumbers. The slender, refined "Marketmore look" has long been the standard for slicing cucumbers in the North.

**CUCUMBER
*SALT & PEPPER*****MULTIPLE
OPEN-
POLLINATED**

White skinned, great for pickling.



VARIETY	ORIGIN	DESCRIPTION	
KALE <i>GREEN CURLY</i>	MULTIPLE HYBRID	The finely curled, dark blue-green leaves can be harvested with one cut. Classic kale .	
KALE <i>LACINATO</i>	ITALY HEIRLOOM	Rich, tender leaves have a softer texture than curly green kales. Lacinato or "dinosaur" type. Unique leaf type: extra-dark green.	
LETTUCE <i>BUTTERCRUNCH</i>	MULTIPLE OPEN- POLLINATED	Dark green leaves and small compact hearts that blanch to an appetizing yellow color. Crisp and sweet.	
LETTUCE <i>GREEN SALAD BOWL</i>	MULTIPLE OPEN- POLLINATED	Delicate, lobed, lime-green leaves.	
LETTUCE <i>RED SALAD BOWL</i>	MULTIPLE OPEN- POLLINATED	Radiant burgundy-red, deeply-lobed, delicate oak-like leaves.	
LETTUCE <i>RED SAILS</i>	MULTIPLE OPEN- POLLINATED	Attractive, ruffled, fringed leaves of deep burgundy red over green.	

VARIETY	ORIGIN	DESCRIPTION	
EGGPLANT <i>BLACK BEAUTY</i>	ITALY OPEN- POLLINATED	Glossy, dark-purple - almost black - fruits. Classic bell shape with attractive ribbing. Great for stuffing baba ganoush.	
EGGPLANT <i>FAIRYTALE</i>	MULTIPLE HYBRID	Wonderful flavor with no bitterness and very few seeds.	
EGGPLANT <i>PATIO BABY</i>	ITALY OPEN- POLLINATED	Well-suited for balconies, patios, and gardens; Thin-skinned 2-3" long by 2-3" diameter fruit with tender flavor, perfect for grilling or roasting.	
HUSK CHERRY <i>GOLDIE</i>	PENNSYLVANIA HEIRLOOM	Sweet golden berries,. Fruits can be eaten raw, dried like raisins, frozen, canned, or made into preserves, cooked pies, and desserts.	
SWEET PEPPER <i>GOURMET</i>	MULTIPLE HYBRID	Thick, juicy walls and fruity sweet flavor. Medium-large, very blocky bells are easy to grow under a wide variety of conditions.	
SWEET PEPPER <i>YANKEE BELL</i>	MULTIPLE HYBRID	Blocky 3-4 lobed fruits are medium sized. Classic bell pepper.	

VARIETY ORIGIN DESCRIPTION

HOT PEPPER

RED FLAME

**MULTIPLE
OPEN-
POLLINATED**

Sweet-hot taste.
Quick drying.



HOT PEPPER

EARLY JALAPENO

**MULTIPLE
OPEN-
POLLINATED**

Average, medium hotness.



TOMATO

BIG BEEF

**USA
HYBRID**

Nice combination of size, taste, and earliness. Large, avg. ., mostly blemish-free, globe-shaped red fruit. They have full flavor and ripen early size.



TOMATO

BLACK CHERRY

**USA
HEIRLOOM**

Complex full tomato flavors, great to mix with other cherries tomatoes. Only true “black” cherry tomato.



TOMATO

*CHEROKEE
PURPLE*

**CHEROKEE
TRIBE, TN
HEIRLOOM**

An old Cherokee Indian heirloom, pre-1890 variety; beautiful deep dusky purple-pink color, superb sweet flavor, and very large sized fruit.

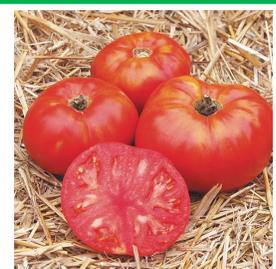


TOMATO

*COSMONAUT
VOLKOV*

**UKRAINE
HEIRLOOM**

Sweet and tangy fruits are slightly flattened with a healthy red color and moderately green shoulders.



VARIETY **ORIGIN** **DESCRIPTION**

<p>TOMATO <i>GERMAN JOHNSON</i></p>	<p>USA HEIRLOOM</p>	<p>Recommended for higher productivity in a pink heirloom. Large fruits have lots of deep, acidic tomato flavor and a rich, creamy texture.</p>	
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<p>TOMATO <i>GREEN ZEBRA</i></p>	<p>USA HEIRLOOM</p>	<p>A delicious, tangy salad tomato, ripe just as the green fruit develops a yellow blush. Smaller fruits are the ideal size for slicing into wedges. Long season</p>	
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<p>TOMATO <i>PEACEVINE</i></p>	<p>USA HEIRLOOM</p>	<p>Most fruit is red, sometimes orange/gold; exceptionally delicious and high in vitamin C. Earned its name from its high content of gamma amino butyric acid, an amino acid that acts as a calming body sedative.</p>	
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<p>TOMATO <i>PINK BRANDYWINE</i></p>	<p>USA HEIRLOOM</p>	<p>Large, beef-stake tomato, sweet taste, few seeds, and very meaty flesh.</p>	
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<p>TOMATO <i>RUTGERS</i></p>	<p>NEW JERSEY HEIRLOOM</p>	<p>“The Jersey Tomato” Developed at Rutgers. Sweet-tomato with small seed cavity. Excels at canning and slicing</p>	
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<p>TOMATO <i>STRIPED GERMAN</i></p>	<p>JAPAN HYBRID</p>	<p>The flat, medium to large, variably ribbed-shoulder tomatoes are shaded yellow and red. The marbled interior looks beautiful sliced. Complex, fruity flavor</p>	
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VARIETY ORIGIN DESCRIPTION

TOMATO
SUNGOLD

JAPAN
HYBRID

Vigorous plants start yielding early and bear right through the season. Exceptionally sweet, bright tangerine-orange cherry



TOMATO
VALENCIA

MAINE
HEIRLOOM

This midseason tomato is among the best for flavor and texture. Meaty interiors have few seeds.



TOMATO
SWEETIE

MULTIPLE
HYBRID

Bite-sized, deliciously sweet. Fruits are good size for eating by hand or salads, or canning.



SNAP
PEA
SUGAR SNAPS

MULTIPLE
OPEN
POLLINATED

The vines are tall, and need support. Pods bear over a long picking period. Both peas and pods are sweet.



SUMMER
SQUASH
YELLOWFIN

MULTIPLE
HYBRID

Uniform, cylindrical fruits; attractive golden yellow color.



SUMMER
SQUASH
MIDNIGHT
LIGHTNING

MULTIPLE
HYBRID

A zucchini that produces long, narrow fruits of exceptional flavor and are colored very dark green.



ORIGINS:

The physical origin of each plant is listed, some varieties have multiple origins. No plants in this sale are considered invasive species.

PLANT VARIETY TYPES:

Method from which plants are pollinated are described as the following:

OPEN-POLLINATION is when pollination occurs by insect, bird, wind, humans, or other natural mechanisms. These plants are more genetically diverse and express the most variation within plant populations.

HEIRLOOM variety is a plant that has a history of being passed down within a family or community. Heirlooms can often be identified by verifying and documenting generational history of preserving and passing on seeds.

HYBRID POLLINATION is a controlled method of pollination in which pollen of two different species or varieties is crossed by human intervention.

Source: <http://blog.seedsavers.org/blog/open-pollinated-heirloom-and-hybrid-seeds>

USDA ORGANIC PLANTS

All plants in our plant sale are certified organic. We start from high quality, organic seed sources and use organic soil and fertilizers to grow our plants.

