

MELON LIST 2011

<u>Name</u>	<u>Days to Maturity*</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Type</u>
<u>Cantaloupe</u>			
Ambrosia Cantaloupe	86 days	muskmelon; good yields of 6 in. round, heavily netted, 4-5 lb. melons; firm, fragrant, flavorful flesh, peach in color, with small seed cavity; mildew-resistant	F1 Hybrid
Angel Cantaloupe	80 days	Mediterranean type; round, lightly netted, 3 lb. fruits, with green rind ripening to creamy yellow, and crisp, firm, white flesh; good disease tolerance; AAS in 2003	F1 Hybrid
Athena Cantaloupe	75-80 days	muskmelon; oval-round, 4-6 lbs., firm salmon-colored flesh; keeps well after harvest; widely adaptable, resists fusarium and powdery mildew	F1 Hybrid
Blenheim Orange Cantaloupe	80-90 days	1881 heirloom muskmelon, developed by the head gardener for the Duke of Marlborough and grown in the greenhouses of England's Blenheim Palace; thick orange flesh, netted skin, avg. 2 lbs.	Heirloom; open pollinated
Burpee Hybrid Cantaloupe	80-85 days	muskmelon; slightly oval 7 in. x 6 in., 4-5 lb. melons with ribbed, heavily netted rinds and thick, firm, salmon flesh; fusarium-resistant	F1 Hybrid
Burrell's Jumbo Cantaloupe	82 days	muskmelon; thick, orange flesh inside a 5 lb. netted fruit	Heirloom; open pollinated
Bush Star Cantaloupe	88 days	muskmelon; 2-3 lb. oval melons with salmon-orange flesh; resists powdery mildew; compact bush, perfect for small garden	F1 Hybrid
Earlisweet Cantaloupe	70 days	muskmelon; good producer of 2.5 - 3 lb., round, uniform fruits with medium netting and slight ribbing; widely adapted, resists fusarium 1	F1 Hybrid
Hale's Best Jumbo Cantaloupe	80-85 days	heirloom muskmelon; oval, ribbed and heavily netted 3-5 lb. fruits with thick, firm, salmon flesh and small seed cavity; tolerates drought, resists powdery mildew	Heirloom; open pollinated
Hollybrook Luscious Cantaloupe	90-100 days	heirloom; dark green, ribbed, 9 in. oblong, 8-10 lbs., with soft, aromatic, fine-textured, pale-orange flesh; bruises somewhat easily	Heirloom; open pollinated
Honey Rock Cantaloupe	85 days	muskmelon; slightly oval, 4-5 lbs., 6 in. across; flesh is deep salmon, rind is rough and netted; resists fusarium; AAS in 1933	Heirloom; open pollinated
Noir Des Carmes Cantaloupe	75-90 days	true cantaloupe, French heirloom; 2.5 - 3 lbs. with tender peach-colored flesh and dark-green rind that ripens to gold	Heirloom; open pollinated
Pulsar Cantaloupe	86 days	muskmelon; round 6.5 in., 5-6 lb. melons with coarse, netted, sutured rind and orange flesh; resists fusarium 2, powdery mildew	F1 Hybrid

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***All items subject to availability**
***Days to maturity from setting out transplants**

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<u>Asian</u>			
Early Silver Line Asian Melon	76 days	gourmet melon; attractive 1-2 lb. oval fruits, thin yellow skin with silvery striping, very crisp, fragrant white flesh	Heirloom; open pollinated
<u>Winter</u>			
St. Nick Winter Melon	85 days	Christmas-type melon (so-called because it can be stored for up to 3 months); football-shaped, around 10 in. x 8 in. and 6-8 lbs.; dark green with light green streaks, crisp, creamy-white flesh; produces over extended season	Hybrid
<u>Casaba</u>			
Amy Casaba	70-80 days	canary type; good yields of smooth, round, 2-4 lb., bright golden yellow fruits with firm, crisp, fragrant white flesh and small seed cavity; vine spreads about 6 ft.; AAS in 2004	F1 Hybrid
Golden Beauty Casaba	80-90 days	old, reliable producer of 10 in. x 7 in., 6-8 lb. melons; white flesh is aromatic and slightly spicy, golden-yellow rind is tough and wrinkled; good keeper	Heirloom; open pollinated
Sungold Casaba	90-105 days	football-shaped, deeply creased, 3-5 lb. fruit with golden-yellow rind and tender, spicy-sweet, pale-orange flesh; semi-compact plant, well-adapted to Northern regions; melons hold well on vine, on shelf	
<u>Charentais</u>			
Honey Girl Charentais	75 days	classic French melon; round, 2-3 lb. with smooth, ribbed, gray-green rind and fragrant, flavorful, deep orange flesh; perfect for breakfast or lunch; improved disease resistance	F1 Hybrid
Hybrid Charentais	75 days	softball-sized fruits with fine-textured, aromatic, orange flesh and distinctive flavor; great for single servings; resists fusarium and mildew	F1 Hybrid
<u>Crenshaw</u>			
Early Hybrid Crenshaw	90 days	slightly oval 8 in. x 7 in., 8-12 lb. melons; thick, juicy, orange flesh with subtle flavor; lightly wrinkled light-green rind matures to yellow; widely adapted	Hybrid
<u>Honeydew</u>			
Earlidew Honeydew	80-86 days	oval-round, pale green, 5-6 in., 3 lb. fruits with rich, juicy, lime-green flesh; widely adapted, tolerates fusarium	F1 Hybrid

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Magic to Dew Honeydew	92 days	vigorous producer of 4-5 lb. melons with firm, crisp, light-green flesh and smooth, thick rind; resists fusarium and mildew	F1 Hybrid
Sweet Delight Honeydew	90 days	slightly oblong, 8 in. x 7 in., 7-8 lb. melons; pale-yellow skin and juicy, light-green flesh with sweet, almost winelike, flavor; when ripe, gold spots appear on stem end of fruit	Open pollinated
Unforgettable Honeydew	110 days	unique white-fleshed honeydew with high sugar content; smooth, yellow-rinded fruits average 6 lbs., have extended shelf life; vigorous and reliable F1 hybrid, great for the home garden	F1 Hybrid
<u>Watermelon</u>			
Black Diamond Watermelon	90 days	large, 35 lbs. and up; sweet, firm, deep-red flesh; nearly round fruits have thick, dark blue-green rind with yellow underside	Heirloom; open pollinated
Bush Sugar Baby Watermelon	80 days	9 in. across, 8-12 lb. icebox melons on compact (4 ft.) vines; sweet pinkish-red flesh within a dark green rind	Open pollinated
Crimson Sweet Watermelon	88 days	slightly elongated 20-25 lb. melons; red, firm, fine-textured flesh with high sugar content and few seeds; light green with dark stripes; resists anthracnose and fusarium wilt	Open pollinated
Garrison Rattlesnake Watermelon	90 days	heirloom, can reach 2 ft. long and 25-35 lbs.; sweet, crisp, bright scarlet flesh; tough rind, light green with dark stripes and mottling	Heirloom; open pollinated
Jade Star Watermelon	75 days	larger icebox variety, 13-16 lbs.; crisp, bright red flesh and dark green rind; adaptable, resists FW	F1 hybrid
Jubilee Watermelon	95 days	large, elongated, 30-40 lbs.; sweet pinkish-red flesh; light green rind with thin dark stripes; somewhat drought-tolerant, resists A and FW	Open pollinated
Moon and Stars Watermelon	95-100 days	large heirloom variety, can reach 40 lbs.; slightly oblong fruit, dark green rind with bright yellow spots and speckles (moon and stars), sweet, crisp, red flesh; foliage is speckled too	Heirloom; open pollinated
Sangria Watermelon	85-90 days	20-25 lb. melons with rich red flesh; dark green and elongated with light striping; resists FW, tolerates A	F1 hybrid
Sugar Baby Watermelon	75-80 days	6-10 lb. icebox variety; sweet, red, fine-grained flesh; hard rind ripens from striped to dark green; drought-resistant	Open pollinated
Sweet Beauty Watermelon	80 days	small, 5-7 lbs. with deep red, sweet and crisp flesh; elongated with light and dark green mottling; AAS in 2004	F1 hybrid
Yellow Doll Watermelon	70 days	early icebox type, 6-10 lbs.; yellow flesh is crisp and very sweet; thin rind, medium green with dark stripes; semi-compact vines	F1 hybrid

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Companions for Melons		Onions, radishes, feverfew, nasturtiums, and borage repel squash bugs; corn, beans, peas, cucumbers, melons, squash family, marigolds, sunflowers, oregano, dill, parsley. Said to dislike potatoes and tomatoes.	
Harvesting watermelon		Look at the melon stem - is the nearest tendril brownish and dry? Is the underside of the melon (the part on the ground) yellow? When you thump the melon lightly, does it make a deep sound? Then it's ready.	
Harvesting cantaloupes		Ripe when a light tug or light pressure on the stem causes the melon to separate easily from the vine.	
Harvesting honeydew, charentais, canary, crenshaw, Christmas melons		These melons will be overripe by the time the stem slips from the vine; instead, cut the fruit off the vine when the leaf nearest to the melon turns pale and the rind is the right color for the type of melon.	