

<p>Grow squash in full sun and well-draining, fertile soil. Vining varieties can be trellised for space efficiency. Squash varieties may be open pollinated (OP) or F1 hybrids (F1). To save seeds that will retain the characteristics of a variety, choose an open pollinated variety and plant away from other squash plants to avoid cross pollination. Squash bugs can be a common pest in our area. Adults and nymphs will congregate under boards or newspaper at night. Collect the insects daily and put in a bucket of soapy water. Smash eggs (coppery clusters) found on the underside of leaves. Remove debris through the season and into fall to reduce sheltering sites.</p>				
<u>Variety</u>	<u>Days to Harvest</u>	<u>Habit</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Plant Description</u>
<u>SUMMER SQUASH</u>				
<u>Crookneck</u>				
Golden Summer (Bumpy)	42-50	bush	OP	High yields of meaty, firm, fine-textured fruits that are bumpy and bright yellow with curved necks. Best picked at 4-6" long. Freezes well.
Gold Star (Smooth)	50-60	bush	F1	Smooth, glossy yellow fruit with curved neck. Best at 4-6". Good fried, steamed, baked, or raw. Fine for freezing. Tremendous yields
<u>Misc. Summer Squash</u>				
Tromboncino	65-80	vine	OP	An Italian heirloom with light-green, long, and curving fruit with bulbous end. All the seeds are in the bulb. Best at 8-10" but can grow to 36". Vines more than most summer squashes. Trellis for straighter fruit
Zephyr	54	semi-bush	F1	Unique two-tone fruits are yellow with lime-green blossom ends. Flesh is firm with a nice nutty flavor. Best at 4-6". Big, open, bushy plant
<u>Patty Pan</u>				
Early White Bush	49	bush	OP	Fruits have creamy white skin and scalloped edges with a tender white interior.
Peter Pan	50	bush	F1	Scalloped, light green fruits are meaty and flavorful. Plants are vigorous and produce over long period. AAS in 1982.
Sunburst	50-55	bush	F1	Yellow fruit with scalloped edges have tender, mild, and white flesh. Best harvested at 3-4" wide. AAS in 1985.
<u>Zucchini</u>				
49er	50	bush	F1	Compact plants produce high yields of delicious, yellow, 8" fruits.
Aristocrat	50-53	bush	F1	Loads of straight, smooth, dark green fruits set higher on plants for easy picking. AAS in 1973.
Black Beauty	50-60	bush	OP	Glossy, dark green (almost black). Best picked at 5-7". Compact habit. AAS in 1957.
Cocozelle	55-58	bush	OP	An Italian heirloom first available in 1885 produces beautiful fruit with green and light green stripes. Flesh is firm and white with nutty flavor and small seeds. Harvest at 6-8" long for best flavor. Freezes well. Plants grow to 24-36" high x 36-48" wide.
Eight Ball	50	semi-bush	F1	Dark green, shiny, round fruit is tastiest at billiard ball size. Flavorful and perfect for grilling (won't fall through grate) or stuffing. Has a long picking season. 1999 AAS winner.
Elite	48	semi-bush	F1	Slender, medium green fruits on high yielding, open habit plants are easy to pick. Good for freezing or canning.
Gold Rush	45-52	bush	F1	High yields of beautiful, golden yellow, smooth, straight fruit on compact but open plants - easy to see, easy to harvest. Excellent flavor. Harvest from 3-8".
Greenzini	48	bush		Tasty fruits are dark green (almost black) with ivory flesh. Harvest at 6-8". Plants are compact.

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Patio Golden	52	bush		Compact plants are perfect for containers and patio gardens. Fruit is glossy and bright yellow.
Spacemiser	50	bush	F1	Bright green zucchini on small (18" x 24"), space-saving plants. Yields are high, and open plants make picking easy. Great for containers or small gardens.
<u>WINTER SQUASH</u>				
<u>Acorn</u>				
Carnival	85	semi-bush	F1	A very colorful acorn squash with splashes of green, cream, gold, and yellow on a deeply ridged fruit. Flesh is gold with a smooth, nutty, sweet flavor. Extremely productive.
Honey Bear	85	bush	F1	Delicious, sweet, and starchy, these mini-acorns are 4" and weigh 1-1.25 lbs., perfect for single servings. Plants resist powdery mildew and produce 3-4 fruits.
Table King	65-75	bush	OP	Vigorous plants produce dark green, 5" x 6" fruits with thick, fiberless orange flesh. AAS in 1974.
Table Queen	80	vine	OP	High yields of deeply ribbed, olive-green fruits with thin, hard shells on vigorous 4-6' vines. The sweet, dry, golden flesh is excellent for baking. Mature fruits are 5-6" x 4-4.5" and 1-3 lb. A great keeper - flesh turns more orange in storage. AAS winner 1939.
<u>Butternut</u>				
Canesi	85-95	vine		An early maturing variety with smooth, tan fruits that have a bright yellow interior and small seed cavity. Great flavor and a smooth texture.
Honeynut	110	vine	OP	A sweet, mini butternut that is 5" long and 1-1.5 lbs. Plants can easily be grown on a trellis and are mildew resistant.
Waltham	90-105	vine	OP	8-10" long and 4-5 lbs. with creamy tan skin and fine golden flesh. Heavy producer. Exceptional keeper. AAS in 1970.
<u>Delicata</u>				
Bush Delicata	80	bush	OP	Oval, 8" long fruits are striped white and green. Flesh is deep yellow with a sweet, nutty flavor. Plants are compact (3-4'). Improved yields and disease resistance compared to heirloom Delicata. Stores well.
Delicata	95-100	vine	OP	Sweet, delicate fruits have golden flesh and thin, creamy skin with green stripes. Oblong, 1.5-2 lbs., and 7-9". Good for stuffing and baking. No curing necessary and long keeper.
<u>Hubbard</u>				
New England Blue	100-110	vine	OP	Fruits are oval, 20" long, and up to 45 lbs. with pebbly, blue-gray rind and smooth, deep-yellow flesh. Keeps very well.

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<u>Kabocha</u>				
Sunshine	95-100	vine	F1	Flattened, 3-5 lb. squash with vivid red-orange rind and fine, orange flesh that is sweet, nutty, and not fibrous. It is great for baking, mashing, and pies. It is good raw too. AAS in 2004.
Sweet Mama	85	bush	F1	Glossy, dark-green, 3 lb. fruits with very sweet, nutty, yellow flesh. Excellent long storage. Compact habit is great for small gardens. AAS in 1979.
<u>Misc. Winter Squash</u>				
Bon Bon Buttercup	81-95	semi-bush	F1	Greenish-black, flattened, turban-shaped, 4-5 lb. fruits have sweet, smooth, golden flesh. Stores very well. Plants tolerate powdery mildew. AAS in 2005.
Pink Banana	105-120	vine	OP	Jumbo, torpedo-shaped, pink-blushed yellow squash can reach 30" and 50 lbs. Flesh is sweet, tender, and orange-yellow.
Spaghetti	70-110	vine	OP	8-10", oblong, 2-3 lb. squash with mild-tasting, spaghetti-like interior. Great served with sauce and grated cheese. Stores well
Spaghetti Mini	85	semi-bush	F1	Abundant, personal-sized fruits reach 1.5 lbs and have an orange rind and yellow flesh. The flavor is sweet and nutty.
Squash Lakota	95	vine	OP	A beautiful Sioux heirloom reaching 8" x 9" that is bright orange with green stripes.
Sweet Dumpling	100	semi-bush	OP	Small, 1/2 lb., 4", teacup-shaped fruits are ivory with green stripes. Sweet orange flesh. Fine for stuffing and baking and excellent for storage.
Sweet Meat	105	vine	OP	Round, 10 lb. +, hard-shelled, blue-grey squash has deep orange, sweet, dry, thick, stringless flesh. It is a superb keeper, sweetening over time. Excellent for baking, soups, squash recipes, and pies. Plants are vigorous growing up to 10 ft'.