

## 2011 TOMATO PLANTS

## VINE VARIETIES

**ALICANTE** 75 days, vine - This fine English heirloom variety is early and productive. Alicante are tall plants are perfect for the greenhouse. Keep them pruned and staked. Medium-sized fruit has wonderful flavour that balances acidity and sweetness.

**AMISH PASTE** 82 days, vine - Originally from the Amish of Wisconsin, we acquired our seed from the Amish farms in Lancaster, PA. The deep red, 8 ounce fruit resembles an acorn, with thick flesh and few seeds. Makes an excellent canning tomato!

**ARDWYNA POLISH PASTE** 75 days, vine - This mid-season tomato plant bears large, pear-shaped, meaty fruits, excellent for processing or in fresh salsa. With great flavour and firm texture these abundant tomatoes are just what you need to stock the pantry for winter.

**BLACK KRIM** 80 days, vine — Brownish-purple to maroon colored fruit with green shoulders, sweet, mild, rich flavor. Fruits weigh approximately twelve ounces. Said to have originated near the Black Sea.

**FERDERLE** 90 days, vine - Beautiful, blemish-free 6-7" long paste tomato, rich full flavor unlike most other banana pepper-shaped tomatoes. Productive plants. Very few seeds, excellent for processing, especially good for salsa.

**ITALIAN HEIRLOOM** 75 days, vine - This very heavy yielding variety produces beautiful red, one-pounders. An Italian favorite due to its rich, tomato taste and abundance. Good choice for both fresh use and canning.

**ORANGE CHERRY** 70-75 days, vine - A juicy type of cherry tomato, ripening to a golden orange. Fruits are born in nice clusters and the plants bear fairly heavily. Has a nice sweet, classic cherry tomato flavor.

**ORANGE FLAMME** 70 days, vine - Also know as Jaune Flamme, these beautiful orange salad tomatoes are very juicy and have a good, sweet flavor with fruity overtones. Tomatoes weigh 2 to 3 oz. and are a lovely persimmon orange color both inside and out. Extremely productive heirloom from France.

**PERON** 68 vine - Medium sized, bush vines produce large, slightly flattened fruits with small seed cavities and no core. Few other tomato varieties are as drought tolerant or adaptable to varied growing conditions. Sometimes called "sprayless" because of its natural resistance to disease.

**PRINCIPE BORGHESE** 75 days, vine — Italian heirloom variety very popular in Italy and California for splitting in half and sun drying. They maintain color and flavor well. The plants produce heavy yields of small, red plum-shaped fruits. The plants will benefit from support such as caging.

**SPECKLED ROMAN** 90 days, vine - Developed by SSE member John Swenson as a result of a stabilized cross of Antique Roman and Banana Legs. Gorgeous 3" wide by 5" long fruits with jagged orange and yellow stripes. Meaty, great tomato taste, ideal for processing. Very productive, few seeds.

**SUNGOLD** F1 65 days, vine - This interesting variety has an absolutely unique tropical taste when it is orange - not quite red and not quite gold. Rich and fruity tomatoes droop in long trusses on vigorous vines that keep on producing all summer. A must for garden snacks. This variety requires more heat and time to mature completely.

**SUPER ITALIAN PASTE** 85-90 days, vine – An heirloom variety that produces big, firm tomatoes. Meaty with very little juice and few seeds, they are ideal for sauces and tomato paste. Their sweet flavour imparts rich taste to your cooking but they are low in acid so add lemon juice to bring down the pH in foods to be canned.

**YELLOW PEAR** 78 days, vine. Documented as a pre-1800 variety. Yellow pear shape, firm skinned, nice flavor, 1-inch long fruit. Good in salads, sauces or by themselves. They have been fairly cold tolerant in our test garden and are typically the last ones living every year.

## **BUSH VARIETIES**

**CZECH'S BUSH** 70 days, bush – A Czechoslovakian heirloom from the Ben Quisenberry collection. This stocky, rugose leafed plant delivers high yields of 6 ounce, juicy red fruits with great taste.

**GLACIER** 65 days, bush - an early, potato-leaf heirloom variety that begins to bloom at only 10cm (4") tall. Masses of delicious, bright red tomatoes follow over a fairly short, concentrated season. Glacier is well suited to container growing, and matures early enough to evade the early blight here on the Coast. Unlike many extra-early varieties, Glacier produces an early crop and will continue to fruit during the entire season. Cold tolerant, may survive a light frost.

**GOLD NUGGET** 55 days, bush — Bred by Dr. James R. Baggett of Oregon State University and perfectly suited for the Maritime Northwest. Golden colored, globular, one inch, cherry-type fruit, early, compact plant with a potential for a high percentage of seedless fruit.

**OREGON SPRING** 55-80 days, bush - This very early variety is a great choice for short growing seasons or container growing. The flavorful, red, 3 oz. fruits are nearly seedless, and are uniform in size. Good choice for an early tomato crop.

**ROCKET** 70 days, bush - An exceptionally early tomato and outstanding rival for Bonny Best. The colour and flavour of this older variety are superior to most early tomatoes. Fruits are slightly irregular in shape crack free. Rocket suffers little from disease. Will bear as long as the weather permits. Rocket is fast maturing in the short seasons of the Prairies and Coastal BC.

**SILETZ** 70-75 days, bush - You can start these early season tomatoes in February to set out at the end of April when night time temperatures are reliably above 7°C (45°F). Because they set fruit very early, you may get a good yield before the blight strikes. You can also take advantage of their ability to set fruit in cool weather since they do not need pollination to set.

**WASHINGTON CHERRY** 60 days, bush - Plant produces high yields of 1 inch red cherry tomatoes. These tomatoes are very flavorful and meaty. Excellent shipping variety. Good storage tomato. Suitable for home garden and market growers. Developed by the Washington State University.

**YELLOW TAXI** 80 days, bush - The best yellow tomato for short season gardeners. Taxi matures its bright yellow tomatoes in just 65 days. Grows to about 2 feet tall and 2 feet across. Expect heavy yields of mild, non-acid tomatoes for 3-4 weeks. Great for the lunch box and salsas.