

RED

Red tomatoes are the most versatile of all the colors, coming in a variety of shapes, sizes, and growth habits. There is no substitute for an old fashioned red tomato, whether it's sliced, juiced, dried, or used in soups, pastes or sauces. The red color comes from lycopene, an important antioxidant.

Abraham Lincoln Original

87 days. Beautiful dark red fruits, sweet with a mild taste, solid and meaty. Fruits are smooth, free from cracks and seams, and - although large (1 to 3 lbs) - ripen all the way through. The variety 'Abraham Lincoln' was originally released by H. W. Buckbee Seed of Rockford, IL in 1923. Ideal for ketchup, juice or slicing. Sturdy plants, frequently have bronzy-green foliage. Indeterminate.

Andrew Rahart's Jumbo Red

90 days. Andrew Rahart lived in north New York City and collected seed from local immigrants. These tomatoes are not necessarily jumbo in size (12 - 24 oz each) but certainly jumbo in flavor. Very juicy, sweet and delicious, this huge beefsteak is best eaten over the sink for fresh-from-the-garden flavor, or added to a sandwich for just a hint of tartness. Disease resistant, sturdy vines support intensely red, flattened, smooth-skinned, 4" fruits. Superior yields. Indeterminate.

Bonny Best

72 days. An old-time favorite (from USA, 1908), producing 8-10 oz globed fruits that are solid and meaty with few seeds. Often judged as one of the five best tasting, this tomato is good for canning or slicing. This variety was the standard for canning 50 years ago. Highly adaptable, and performs especially well in the North. Aka John Baer. Indeterminate.

Bush Beefsteak

62 days. This is the perfect sandwich-sized fruit, solid fleshed, rich red with a weight of 8 oz. Plants are square foot, garden sized, vigorous and bushy. Popular in the northern states for its earliness, productivity and large fruit size. Determinate.

Ceylon

72 days. A smaller (2" across), ribbed, slightly flattened and scalloped red tomato, this cherry has full bodied flavor that is good and tart. Produces a great profusion of fruits that are shaped like mini-beefsteaks with somewhat chewy skin. Perfect for cutting in half for a salad. Some disease resistance. Indeterminate.

Costoluto Genovese

78 days. This Italian heirloom has been enjoyed for many generations along the Mediterranean. A robust,

hearty red tomato with fluted sides and smooth skin, it is full flavored and slightly tart. Its meaty flesh cooks down well for a rich sauce. It's also great sliced. Tolerates high heat and cold. Very productive. Indeterminate.

Dinner Plate

90-100 days. One slice can fill a dinner plate! Large (1 ½ -2 lb) red fruit are radially flattened and heart shaped. Fine quality flesh with excellent flavor. Indeterminate.

Druzba

80-95 days. Originally from Bulgaria via France, it's name means 'friendship' in Bulgarian. Husky plants bear heavy sets of tasty, 12 oz fruits over a long season. Round fruits, 4" across, mature bright red with pink-gold shoulders. Resistant to cracking, fruit diseases and blossom end rot. High acid content. Highly recommended by Dr. Carolyn Male. AKA Drushba or Druzha. Indeterminate.

Egg Tomato

70 days. This heirloom is one of the varieties sold by Glecklers Seedmen in the 1950's. The fruit is smooth and is the shape and size of a medium egg, with thick blood-red flesh that is rich and perfect for preserving or eating fresh. Very delicious. Indeterminate.

German Red Strawberry

80 days. Big (1lb) flavorful fruit, originally from Germany, is shaped like a giant red strawberry! This heirloom has a rich sweet flavor, enchanting aroma and few seeds. Not very juicy, hence makes an excellent sandwich or canning tomato. Has an open growth habit and light foliage cover, with two fruits/cluster. Introduced by Dr. Carolyn Male to the US in 1995. Indeterminate.

Livingston's Paragon

75 days. Developed by A. W. Livingston, "Father of the Modern Tomato", a seedsman from Reynoldsburg, OH. Livingston transformed the tomato from an ugly duckling of horticulture (with its small, hard-cored, hollow fruit) to the uniform, smooth-skinned, juicy and flavorful tomato that we know and love today. Paragon, introduced in 1870, was the first tomato in the U.S. offered by the Livingston Seed Co. as being the perfect 'commercial' tomato, because of its perfectly uniform, blood-red, smooth fruit. Vines are vigorous with heavy foliage. Indeterminate.

Livingston's Perfection

70 days. An 1880 introduction by A. W. Livingston. This heirloom is a smooth skinned red variety that resists cracking and produces good yields. Medium sized fruits have tough skins and are good for canning or slicing. Useful in the north for canning because of its early maturity. Indeterminate.

Manitoba

58 days. An extremely early variety developed by the Morden Experiment Farm in Manitoba for the southern Canadian prairies. Fruits are bright red, slightly flattened, good-flavored and weigh about 6 oz each. Well suited for extreme northern U.S. areas of Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan, Dakotas, Montana and New England. Easily grown in a small area. Determinate.

Market Miracle

80 days. This Siberian heirloom has red fruits that weigh 5-6 oz, and are great for canning or making salsas. A nice balance of sweet and acidic, they make a great spaghetti sauce. Grow on prolific vines. Determinate.

Marmande

65 days. A popular old French beefsteak variety, originally developed by the Vilmorin Seed Co. in Southern France. Medium sized scarlet fruit is flattened, scalloped with thick flesh and very few seeds. It has a full, rich flavor. Productive, even in cool weather; great for coastal regions. Very popular across Europe. Indeterminate to semi-determinate.

Marvel Striped

80-90 days. Luscious sweet flavor and great red and gold striped coloration make this heirloom a winner! Originally grown by the Zapotec of Oaxaca, Mexico, this beefsteak is drought tolerant and has few seeds. Interior flesh is marbled red and yellow and fruit weigh 1-2 lbs. Indeterminate. AKA Marvel Stripe.

Mule Team

78 days. This is a workhorse of a tomato! A typical heirloom, saved by generations of gardeners because of its enduring (and endearing!) qualities: vigorous round to slightly ovate, medium sized (8-9 oz), red globed fruit with a sweet, mild flavor. Meaty, textured fruits are produced continuously right up to frost on sturdy plants. Has some disease resistance. Indeterminate.

Old Brooks

75-85 days. Smooth, blemish free beefsteak fruits known for their superior resistance to blossom end-rot and early and late blights. Gourmet quality flesh with a fine, even texture. The taste is somewhat acidic, which is an asset for canning. Indeterminate.

Old Virginia

80 days. This heirloom has been grown for generations by the Glitner family in Virginia. Huge (1-1 ½ lb) fruits are solid and full of great tomato flavor. Fruit are dark red, globe shaped, smooth, crack resistant and heat tolerant. Yields 10 - 12 tomatoes per plant. Indeterminate.

Polish Giant

75 days. A vigorous plant from Poland produces mild

flavored, hefty (up to 2 lbs) red paste tomatoes that are great for slicing, salads, even wine making! A popular heirloom in Europe. Indeterminate.

Red Calabash

75 days. Red beefsteak tomato that can be traced back to Chiapas, Mexico. These thin skinned, flattened globes (3 - 4 oz) are highly ribbed or ruffled. Red Calabash have been documented as appearing in a 1793 painting by Raphael Peale of Philadelphia. Indeterminate.

Red Fig

85 days. Small (1 ½") red, pear-shaped fruit adorn this heirloom from the 1700's. Very popular in its day for making 'tomato figs' (dried, sugar preserved tomatoes) as a fig substitute; the fruit is sweet and tasty. Heavy yielder. AKA Pear-Shaped. Indeterminate.

Red Pear

78 days. A less popular version of Yellow Pear, mentioned as early as 1863. One of the rarest of the heirloom varieties and still grown today! The flavor is good and stronger than Yellow Pear. Perfect for salads, sauces or pickles. Produces clusters of red pear-shaped fruits 1-2" long with few seeds. Plants tend to sprawl all over the place. Pick them green and make dill green tomatoes! Indeterminate.

Riesentraube

70 days. The name means "Giant Bunch of Grapes" in German, and aptly describes the sweet, red 1-oz fruit that grow in clusters. This old German heirloom was being offered in Philadelphia by the mid-1800's. A small cherry tomato popular with seed collectors for its rich full tomato flavor, similar to a beefsteak, that is missing in today's supermarket cherry tomatoes. Compact vines, strongly branched, with good foliage cover. Indeterminate.

San Marzano

75 days. This high quality plum variety is perfect for Italian food; it cooks down to a flavorful, savory sauce. Fruit is long (3-5"), heavy walled and rather large for a paste tomato. Plants are sturdy and well branched. Indeterminate.

Sausage

75 days. This heirloom looks like a huge, red banana pepper with its 6" long, unusually shaped fruit. Ideal for ketchup or sauces, this paste tomato is prolific with a fine flavor. Partially hollow interior makes it good to stuff. Indeterminate.

Scarlet Topper

79 days. Introduced by the USDA, Tennessee Station, in 1930 as an attempt to create a wilt-, disease- and rust- resistant tomato. A cross between 'Cooper Special'

and 'Marglobe', this tomato was an All American Selection Winner in 1933. Large (5-10 oz) fruit, bright red with excellent flavor is great fresh or canned. Good producer. AKA The Pritchard. Indeterminate.

Smeig Craig

75 days. A striped red and yellow tomato that are 4 - 6 oz each.

Striped Cavern

80 days. This variety has lobed fruit and thick walls like a bell pepper which makes it perfect for stuffing. A core of seeds up near the stem end is easily removed. Good sized fruit (8 oz) are red with vibrant yellow stripes, and fine flavored. Keeps for four weeks when harvested ripe. Expect abundant harvests. Indeterminate.

Striped Roman

85 days. Long, pointed, midsized, brilliant red fruit have wavy orange stripes in this cross between 'Antique Roman' and 'Banana Legs'. They are meaty with an excellent sweet flavor and few seeds. Grows well in cool weather and is very productive. Developed by John Swenson. AKA Speckled Roman. Indeterminate.

Stupice

65 days. Plant this one early for slurpy great fruits in no time! The best known Czech tomato, this heirloom is originally from Moravia, Czechoslovakia. A very early producer with excellent yields of small (1-2 oz) and flavorful, sugary sweet, deep red fruits. Blight resistant, potato-leafed dwarf vines produce fruit very early and very prolificly. Not much room is needed for this plant so spacing in the garden can be tight. Very tolerant to cold. Indeterminate.

Sugar Lump

65-75 days. A sweet German cherry tomato heirloom that produces heavy yields straight through to frost. Clusters of 6 to 12 smooth, deep-red fruits, averaging ¾ - 1" in diameter. Excellent eating quality and flavor. AKA Gardener's Delight. Indeterminate.

Super Sioux

70 days. An excellent choice for areas with hot summer temperatures since it sets fruit well in spite of heat and dry conditions. Thick-walled, crack-free, red globes have an acidic flavor. Semi-indeterminate.

Thessaloniki

68 days. Nicely uniform, baseball sized fruits are the trademark of this variety developed in sunny Greece. Introduced in the U.S. by Glecklers Seedsmen of Ohio in the 1950's. Resistant to sunburn, cracks and spots, with perfect blossom ends. Fruits have a pleasant, mild flavor and virtually refuse to rot, even when completely red and ripe. Highly productive, this plant needs good support for all the fruit. Indeterminate.

Tommy Toe

70 days. An Australian heirloom that has come to us via the Ozark Mountains, this heirloom is excellent in salads or for juices. Its ½ - 1" cherry fruits are smooth, mild, glossy red and range from round to oval. Resists early blight and black rot. Prolific re-seeder. Indeterminate.

Zogola

80 days. A native of Poland, this beefsteak is medium sized (up to 1 lb), and has dark red fruits that are slightly blocky with an excellent flavor that is tangy, rich and strong. Some fluting at the shoulders makes for a nice shape. Has some disease resistance. Great for slicing and in salad. Indeterminate.

PINKS

Pink tomato most probably originated in Europe.

Though often duller in color than red or purple tomatoes, pinks are usually juicier and sweeter.

Amish Salad

80 days. Large, productive plants produce this pink, grape shaped, cherry (2 oz) tomato in clusters of six, an Amish heirloom. Crunchy, sweet and tasty, they keep very well. They last almost forever on the vine. Plants are large and have heavy, regular-leaf foliage cover not typical of cherry tomatoes. Indeterminate.

Arkansas Traveler

90 days. A medium sized smooth tomato with a beautiful rose color, this pre-1900 heirloom was grown in the South from the Carolinas to Arkansas. Esteemed for its ability to produce flavorful tomatoes under conditions of drought, high heat and high humidity where other varieties fail. Grows on 5-6 ft vines, keeps well and is crack and disease resistant. Not to be confused with 'Traveler', a 1970 release by the University of Arkansas. Indeterminate.

Brandywine

75 days. This heirloom is so popular it has almost reached cult status with collectors. Originally from Pennsylvania in the 1880's, this pink beefsteak is legendary for it's rich, succulent, old fashioned tomato flavor. Fruit weigh 1-2 lbs. These plants do not grow well in very hot climates and fruit are prone to cracking. Because of it's age and popularity there are many variations or 'strains' of Brandywine available on the market. Indeterminate.

German Johnson Pink

80 days. A longtime favorite in the Mid Atlantic and Southeast regions of the U.S., this tomato is one of the parent lines of the heirloom Mortgage Lifter. Vigorous, potato-leaf vines produce mild-flavored, meaty, rough

12-24 oz fruits with pink skins and yellow shoulders. One of the highest rated pinks for flavor and yield. Low in acid. Indeterminate.

German Lunchbox

62 days. Brought to this country by a family that immigrated from Germany, this tomato is vibrant pink and sugar sweet. The size of a small egg, it's perfect for salads. Bushy plant is good for container growing.

Laham Pink

80 days. This tomato has a unique pinkish sheen and mild flavor. A good solid tomato for slicing. Plant yields 15 - 20 fruits each.

Missouri Pink Love Apple

80 days. This beefsteak produces uniform, 10 oz. fruits that are juicy and have a full, complex flavor. An heirloom from the "Show Me" state, it has been grown since the Civil War by the Barnes family, who grew it as an ornamental, believing (as many people did then) that tomatoes or love apples were poisonous. Vines are potato-leafed. Indeterminate.

Oxheart

95 days. Introduced around 1925, this old favorite produces rose pink, furrowed, 5-7 oz heart shaped fruits borne in clusters. The flesh is red, meaty with few seeds and mild flavor. Good for sauces or slicing, the plants tolerate hot humid summers well. Indeterminate.

Pruden's Purple

70 days. Large fruit for such as early variety, these tomatoes have lovely deep-pink, slightly flattened fruit that weighs about 1 lb. These have a sweet, rich taste with few seeds. Potato-leafed vines. Great for hot day/cool night climates. Indeterminate.

Rose De Berne

75 days. Originally from Switzerland, this tomato has 5-6 oz juicy fruits that are full of flavor with a bit of zing. Thin skinned with a nice uniform globe shape, no blemishes, and beautiful dark pink color with rose-pink flesh. Very productive with heavy yields. Indeterminate.

Soldacki

75 days. Originally from Krakow, Poland, and brought to Cleveland around 1900, this heirloom is memorable for it's low acidity and intensely sweet flavor. Flattened, dark pink fruits weigh about 1 lb and are packed with firm flesh inside thin skins. Potato-leafed vines. Indeterminate.

Stump of the World

85 days. Good sized pinkish red beefsteak fruits are solid and flavorful, rich and complex. Plants produce a medium yield of fruits of about 1 lb. that are irregularly shaped. Indeterminate.

Tappy's Heritage

85 days. Beautiful, smooth, 6 oz dark pink fruit are globe shaped and borne in clusters of 2-4 tomatoes. Bred from heirloom varieties by the Neidens, seed growers from Illinois. Among it's attributes are good disease resistance, great yields, perfect shape and wonderful flavor. Indeterminate.

The Dutchman

75 days. The pink-red fruit of this heirloom are very large (3 lb and more!) and very sweet. An old heirloom, by WW2 it had all but disappeared and was maintained by a single family until it was introduced by Glecklers Seedmen, in the 1950's. Try it sliced with a drizzle of olive oil. AKA der Dutchman. Indeterminate.

Watermelon Beefsteak

75 days. An heirloom from the 1800's with good-flavored fruits weighing 2 lbs or more. Pink-skinned and very mild, lightly scalloped, with purplish-red flesh and an oblong shape (resembling a watermelon!). With it's heavy yields expect up to 50 lbs tomatoes/vine. Indeterminate.

Zapotec Pleated

85 days. Originally grown by the Zapotec people of Oaxaca, this Mexican heirloom has 3-5 oz fruits that are highly pleated, like the ruffles on a pleated dress. The pink fruit have good flavor. They can be stuffed and baked like a bell pepper, sliced or chopped for salsa. When frost is imminent, the entire plant can be uprooted and hung upside down to ripen any remaining fruit. Prolific producer. Indeterminate.

ORANGE/YELLOW

Yellow tomatoes are sweeter and less acidic than red varieties. They are a perfect choice for people who need to avoid acidic foods. During the 19th century, yellows were commonly used for making tomato preserves, jellies and pickled tomatoes. They are second only to reds in popularity.

Orange tomatoes tend to be much higher in Vitamin C and beta carotenes than the yellows. Not as many orange varieties are available as are the yellow, and they are not grown as often, but with their high nutritional value, extremely sweet taste and bright sunshine colors orange tomatoes are a 'must-have' for the garden.

Amana Orange

90 days. Named for the Amana Colonies in Amana, IA, this glowing orange beefsteak has an intense full flavor that is mildly sweet, almost tropical. Fruit weigh about 1 lb. and keep for several weeks at room temperature. Moderate yields. Indeterminate.

Big Rainbow

85 days. A beautiful bi-colored beefsteak, with huge (up to 2 lb) fruits that are golden with ruby red streaks and red flesh. Superb flavor, delicious and sweet with low acidity. An heirloom preserved by the Seed Savers Exchange. Indeterminate.

Copia

75 days. These large (1 lb) flavorful tomatoes have lovely fine stripes of glowing gold and neon red, with flesh of red and yellow swirled together. Developed by Jeff Dawson in the 1990's, they are a cross between 'Marvel Stripes' and 'Green Zebra', and named in honor of The American Center for Food, Wine and the Arts, of Napa, CA (COPIA).

Dixie Golden Giant

85-100 days. Grown by the Amish since the 1930's, this huge (1-2 lb) golden-yellow beefsteak tomato has delicious fruity flavor with few seeds. May have a pink blush on the blossom end. Very vigorous vines mature earlier than others of its type. Indeterminate.

Dr. Wyche's Yellow

80 days. This tangerine-orange heirloom beefsteak was introduced to Seed Savers Exchange by Dr. John Wyche, who supposedly had access to zoo animal manure (zoo-doo) and applied it liberally to his gardens. The 1-lb fruit is solid and smooth, slightly flattened, blemish-free with a smooth texture and tropical, sweet taste. One of the best tasting yellows. It has a meaty interior with few seeds. Heavy yields. Indeterminate.

Garden Peach

75 days. This unique heirloom looks very much like a small peach -- it even has slightly fuzzy skin! Small (2 oz), light-yellow fruits have a delicate, distinctive flavor that's light, clean and a little bit fruit-like. A prolific producer of juicy fruit. Introduced to American gardens in 1862. They store very well; bring fruit in before frost and they will ripen slowly over several months. Indeterminate.

Georgia Streak

90 days. Bicolor beefsteak fruits, an heirloom from Georgia, are rich gold, blushed with a delicate pink, and have firm flesh that is streaked with red. Large (1-2 lb) globe-shaped fruits have a sweet yet hearty flavor. Indeterminate.

Golden Pineapple

Beautiful yellow fruit are brilliantly streaked and splashed in pink. They weigh about 12 oz and have superbly sweet, flavorful flesh.

Golden Ponderosa

80 days. Large and meaty, this golden yellow beefsteak is smooth, solid, sweet and mild-flavor with low acidity. The fruits are flattened and round to oblong with thin

skins. Grows well in cool weather. Introduced in 1914 by Peter Hendersson. Vines are vigorous to 8 ft. with large leaves, but not disease resistant. Indeterminate.

Hawaiian Pineapple

85 days. This heirloom beefsteak is the perfect choice for those who love a really, really sweet tomato. Beautiful, large (5" diameter) red-orange fruits that have golden yellow flesh. Ripe fruit has a rich, sweet pineapple flavor. A decent yielder. Indeterminate.

Hazel Mae

85 days. A large (1 lb), pale yellow flattened beefsteak that is mild, sweet, meaty and low in acid. Makes great sandwiches!

High Country

70 days. A very productive plant, originally from Montana, yielding loads of 3 - 4 oz orange-red paste tomatoes. A single plant will produce about 100 fruits.

Hillbilly

85 days. This ancient (early 1800's) beefsteak heirloom hails from the hills of West Virginia. Huge (1-2 lb), mild-flavored fruits are colored a most unusual orange-yellow, streaked and mottled in shades of red and pink. Has both high sugar and high acidity. Indeterminate.

Indian Moon

80 days. This Navajo heirloom has nice 5-6 oz globes that ripen to a bright orange. Plants give medium production of good tasting, juicy fruit. Indeterminate.

Jersey Devil

70 days. These 5 - 6" long, pointed, reddish-orange paste tomatoes are great for sauces as they are meaty and have few seeds. Vines are productive and the tomatoes keep well. Indeterminate.

Kellogg's Breakfast

80-85 days. Originally from West Virginia, this giant (up to 1 lb) orange beefsteak was preserved by Darrell Kellogg, a railroad supervisor from Redford, MI. The fruit are thin-skinned and very flavorful, tangy and superbly sweet! The juice is the same color as fresh squeezed orange juice. Indeterminate.

Lillian's Yellow Heirloom

95-98 days. An heirloom from Manchester, TN, this somewhat fragile, thin-skinned beefsteak has clear-yellow globe-shaped fruit weighing up to 1 lb. The mild flesh is so rich in flavor it actually has a creamy taste on the tongue. It has very few seeds. Vigorous, potato-leaved plants are unique in such a large-fruited yellow variety. Heavy yields. Indeterminate.

Mama Rosas

80 days. A large paste variety, these orange-red fruits

are thick and somewhat pointed. Good solid meat means this tomato produces good sauce.

Manyel

80 days. This is an ancient Native American variety whose name means “many moons”, which aptly describes the perfect, golden fruits which resembles glowing moons. This 10 oz full flavored heirloom has prolific yields of smooth, blemish-free fruits. The flavor is citrus-like and tangy but not too sharp. Sparse foliage makes it moderately prone to early blight, cracking and sunscald. Indeterminate.

Marizol Gold

85 days. Family heirloom from the Bratka family of the Black Forest region of Germany, it was brought to the U.S. in the late 1800's. Plants are prolific producers of flattened, deep ribbed, red-gold, bi-colored fruit with excellent, richly sweet flavor. Tomatoes are very seedy, weighing 1-2 lbs. Indeterminate.

Nebraska Wedding

105 days (no kidding, but well worth the wait!). This old Great Plains heirloom produces large (10 oz) globe-shaped fruits of a deep orange color. Vigorous plants can take the heat and yield a heavy, concentrated set of fruit. A good container plant. Legend has it that Nebraska brides were given this fruit as a gift on their wedding day. Determinate.

Orange Strawberry

80 days. These vibrant deep orange, 8-16 oz. ox-heart fruits are a lovely heart shape with sharp tips and almost blemish free skin. They have a strong, sweet taste that is more complex than most orange or yellow varieties. Don't be fooled by the wispy leaves - the plants are very vigorous and high yielding. Indeterminate.

Patio Orange

70 days. This heirloom is perfect for growing in pots on a warm patio! Plants are stocky and heavy yielders. Fruits are bright orange, 2-4 oz globes that are delicious, flavorful and quite sharp tasting. A great salad tomato. Good disease resistance. Determinate.

Persimmon Orange

80 days. Large plump golden-orange fruit averages 1-2 lbs. Fruit is meaty with luscious flavor and only a few seeds. Vigorous plants yield well. Indeterminate.

Pineapple

85-90 days. Enormous (5" and larger) beefsteak fruits are orange-yellow with red streaks. Fruits have meaty flesh, and are mild flavored. Heavy foliaged plants produce good yields. Fruit will crack if moisture stressed so keep properly watered. Indeterminate.

Pink Grapefruit

78 days. A really unique tomato with beautiful yellow

fruit that are blushing pink inside, just like a pink grapefruit! This medium sized round tomato has a sweet-tart taste with citrus overtones. Good yields. Excellent for adding a tropical feel to a summer salad! Indeterminate.

Plum Lemon

72 days. These bright, canary-yellow 3" fruits really look just like a lemon! A wonderful, meaty, gourmet variety with a delicious sweet taste, it was collected by Kent Whealy of Seed Savers Exchange from an elderly seedsman at the Bird Market in Moscow. Indeterminate.

Tangerine

80-85 days. Deep yellow, medium to large, tangerine shaped fruits are meaty and sweet. Medium vine habit with very good yields. Indeterminate.

Yellow Pear

75 days. This heirloom, dating from at least the early 1600's, produces ¼ oz, bright yellow, pear shaped fruits. The flavor is mild to sweet. Excellent for eating straight from the garden, in salads, even as a yellow tomato sauce. So prolific, you will run out of friends to share these with! Indeterminate.

GREEN

No, they're not un-ripe, they are tomatoes that generally ripen to a yellow-green color. Because of this, fruit must be picked by 'feel' (when they are soft to the touch) rather than by 'look'. During the 19th century they were popular for making tomato pickles and green tomato relish. Today they've become a delicacy among gourmet chefs.

Aunt Ruby's German Green

80 days. One of the largest (over 1 lb) green beefsteaks, slightly flattened and delicious. This heirloom, originally from Germany and brought to us via Ruby Arnold of Greenville, TN has brilliant, neon-green flesh with a strong, sweet, spicy and fruity flavor. The taste test winner of the 2003 Heirloom Garden Show. Indeterminate.

Big Zebra

85 days. Very groovy and retro looking, this 8-10 oz tomato has vibrant stripes of green and deep gold outside, and on the inside the delicious flesh is green with some red streaks. Looks like a giant version of 'Green Zebra'. Delicious, sweet flesh that hints of citrus and smoke. Indeterminate.

Black Pineapple

85 days. A virtual kaleidoscope of color, this beefsteak

is streaked in green, yellow and purple and weighs about 1.5 lbs. The flesh is bright green with deep red streaks. Sweet and smoky, with a hint of citrus, the fruit are smooth and the plants yield heavily. Slice these open to reveal a stunning starburst of red inside the green interior. Developed by Pascal Moreau, a horticulturist from Belgium. AKA Ananas Noire. Indeterminate.

Green Zebra

78 days. Could also be called 'the Green Bay Packers' tomato, this plant sports fruit in beautiful chartreuse with deep lime-green stripes. The flesh of this 3 oz tomato is bright green and very rich tasting, sweet, with a sharp bite. A favorite of many gourmet chefs, specialty markets and home gardeners. Developed by Tom Wagner of Bakersfield in 1983. Excellent yield on vigorous plants. Crack resistant. Indeterminate.

Spear's Tennessee Green

75-85 days. A wonderful, rare and historic heirloom that was grown by the Spear family of Tennessee since the 1950's. The round, emerald green fruit weigh 8-10 oz and have the taste of tomatoes from Grandma's garden. Indeterminate.

PURPLE/BLACK

Black tomatoes are native to the Southern Ukraine. They are supremely unique in their extremely dark colors and corresponding rich, earthy, sometimes salty flavors.

The origins of purple tomatoes are unknown, although there are references to them growing wild in the U.S. during the 19th century. At that time the legendary tomato seedsman A. W. Livingston bred many purple tomatoes, but the public's desire for red tomatoes left many of these purples in the dust. Today, purple tomatoes are quite rare compared to the reds.

Black from Tula

80-85 days. Some say this is the ugliest, best tomato they've ever eaten! A robust Russian heirloom, originally from the Ukraine, it's the largest (3-5" diameter) of the blacks. It has dark, greenish-black shoulders on dark, brownish-red, slightly flattened fruits. Full flavored, chocolate brown flesh with green gel is rich, salty-sweet and satisfying. Performs well in dry conditions. Indeterminate.

Black Krim

80 days. Named for the Isle of Krim in the Black Sea., this Russian heirloom always places high in tomato taste trials. It has dark red-purple, 4-6" fruit that is slightly flattened, with green gel around the seeds. A rich sweet, wine-y flavor makes it a favorite of many fine chefs. Sliced open, it looks just a bit like raw meat! Indeterminate.

Black Prince

70 days. Originally from Irkutsk, Siberia, this 5 oz deep blackish-chocolate brown tomato is round and uniform. The green flesh contrasts appealingly with the exotic skins. The flavor is as deep, sweet and rich as the color. A unique salad tomato, the plants produce a large and early crop. Indeterminate.

Cherokee Purple

80 days. Believed to have been grown by the Cherokee Indians In Tennessee, pre-1890, this large tomato has a deep dusky purple-pink color and superb sweet flavor. This one has real old-time tomato flavor. A sprawling plant with 10-12 oz, flattened, slightly pleated fruit, it's a prolific producer. Crack-free and disease resistant. Doesn't store well. Indeterminate.

Eva's Purple Ball

75 days. From the Black Forest Region of Germany in the late 1800's, these pinkish purple fruits are round and blemish free. Luscious, sweet flavor. Excellent producer in hot climates, very disease resistant. AKA Eva Purple Ball. Indeterminate.

Noir de Crimée

75 days. This 8-12 oz. Russian heirloom has dusky brown sides and green shoulders. A great spicy flavor with smoky overtones. AKA Crimean Night. Indeterminate.

Paul Robeson

75 days. This Russian variety was named for Paul Robeson, the great American black singer, lawyer, actor, and Russian Equal Rights Advocate for Blacks. This beefsteak offers an amazing flavor that is distinctive, sweet and smoky. The fruit are 7-10 oz, slightly flattened, and a black brick color. Very coveted by seed collectors and tomato connoisseurs. 'Best of Show' winner at the 2000 Carmel Tomato Fest. Indeterminate.

WHITE

'White' tomatoes are often more of creamy yellow to ivory color. Because of their lack of pigmentation they are lower in beta carotene and lycopene. These were very popular with Victorians.

Great White

75 days. Large (up to 1 lb) giant creamy white fruit distinguish this heirloom. Flesh is delicious and fruity. A great tomato to eat fresh! Yields can be high. Indeterminate.

Great White Beefsteak

80 days. The largest and one of the whitest of the white varieties, this beefsteak produces 1-2 lb giant almost white fruit. It's flavor is reminiscent of fresh cut

pineapple, melon and guava, with low acidity and few seeds. Excellent for slicing. Fruit are smoother than most large beefsteak types. Expect high yields on vigorous vines with heavy foliage that protects against sunscald of the fruit. Good drought and crack resistance. Developed by Gleckner's Seedsmen. Indeterminate.

Ivory Egg

80 days. Sent to America by a seed saver from Sweden, this rare and attractive ivory-cream colored tomato is the shape and size of a chicken egg. The creamy flesh is both sweet and rich, great for sauces or salads. Plants are very productive. Indeterminate.

Snow White

75 days. One of the few white cherry tomatoes! Pale yellow to ivory colored small fruit with a delicious flavor. Very productive with large clusters. Developed by Joe Bratka. Beautiful when mixed with red and orange cherry tomatoes. Indeterminate.

Wapsipinicon Peach

80 days. Named after the Wapsipinicon River in Iowa, this light, creamy-yellow, almost white fruit has a superb taste and texture. The taste is complex, with its spicy, sweet and very fruity flavor. Slightly fuzzy skin resembles a peach! Small, 2" fruit. Indeterminate.

White Potato Leaf

75-85 days. These white to pale yellow-skinned flavorful tomatoes make beautiful, white tomato sauces for gourmet dishes. Flattened, 4-5" fruits have a pleasingly acidic flavor. Indeterminate.

White Queen

85 days. Truly the queen of all the whites! This creamy white beefsteak is a favorite with many tomato collectors. Introduced in 1821 by A. W. Livingston, these 6-8 oz fruits have one of the best flavors of all tomatoes. They are fragrant, fruity and intensely sweet. Ripens to a creamy white color throughout. A productive variety. Great for slicing, salads or juicing. Indeterminate.