

# The Seeder's Digest

# Annual Seed and Plant Edition

2014

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#### **KCCG Satellite Seed and Plant Distribution Site** Schedule

Gardeners in Kansas City, KS and Independence, MO will be able to sign up for membership and pick up their own seeds and plants through a local distribution site.

#### Kansas City, Kansas

Bethany Community Center 1120 Central Avenue Kansas City, KS 66102 This site will be open the following Mondays from 4:30pm to 6:00pm

March 24. March 31. April 28. May 5

#### Independence, MO

Independence Health Department 515 S. Liberty Independence, MO 64050

Seeds and plants will be available the following Thursdays from 3:00-6:00pm. Contact Joanie Shover at 816-325-7767 for more information.

March 27, May 1, May 15

## Seeds Available March 3rd!!!

Straw Bales for Sale

KCCG will again have straw bales available for sale at the KCCG office, 6917 Kensington, for 2014 KCCG members. \$5.00 per bale.

#### **ORDER BERRY PLANTS** AND FRUIT TREES THROUGH KCCG NOW!!

Now is the time to order bare-root fruit trees and berry plants through KCCG. See ordering information on page 10-11. Variety description info is also available on our website, kccg.org, and at our office.



6917 Kensington

Kansas City, Missouri 64132

• KCCG membership. Get a jump on the gardening season and join us for food and fun at our 1st annual Membership Sign-up Extravaganza. We will have food and free giveaways throughout the day. Anyone who signs up on or before February 13 will be entered in a raffle to win a KCCG t-shirt, an assortment of garden tools, and a \$25.00 gift certificate to KCCG. Extended hours 7am - 7pm.

Call 816-931-3877 for more information. . . . . . . . . . . . . .

### **KCCG OFFICE WILL BE OPEN SATURDAY MORNINGS THIS SPRING**

The Kansas City Community Gardens office will be open on Saturday mornings from 9am to 12Noon starting Saturday, March 22nd continuing thru Saturday, May 10th.

Gardeners will be able to come in to the office to sign up for membership and purchase plants, seeds and other supplies. Regular office hours are Monday through Friday from 9am to 5pm.

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**2014 SPRING** WORKSHOP SCHEDULE SEE PAGES 2-3. **COOL SEASON** 

## **VEGETABLE PLANTS ON SALE MARCH 20TH**



Broccoli, Brussels Sprouts, Cabbage, Cauliflower Collards, Kale, Lettuce, **Onion Plants** 

Seed Potatoes and Onion Sets are also available

> Must have a 2014 KCCG Membership Card to purchase plants.

## Looking For a Place to Garden?

(816) 931-3877

We have plots and raised beds available for rent at:

- Ivanhoe/Richardson Community Garden (36th and Park, KCMO)
- Eastwood Hills Community Garden (8100 Ozark Rd, KCMO- East of I-435)
- Prospect Community Garden
- (5008 Prospect, KCMO) Northrup Park Community Garden
- (10th and Grandview, KC,KS)

If you are interested in renting a plot or a bed this season, contact Earlene at 816-931-3877 or earlene@ kccg.org

## Home Garden Tilling **Services Available for KCK** and Jackson County Green **Card Members**

- KCCG has expanded its tilling services to include KCCG Green Card members in Jackson County
- (including Grandview and Independence) and in Wyandotte County. KCCG will continue to offer
- tilling services to Green Card Members in Kansas City, MO. Tilling is done on a first-come, first-served ●
- basis, and is available at a low cost (between \$8-\$25). You must present proof of income to sign up
- for tilling. If you are interested in having your home garden tilled come in to our offices to sign-up. For
- more information, contact Earlene at 816-931-3877 or earlene@kccg.org.

#### Want to Start a Community or Group Garden?? KCCG Can Help!!!

Sign up your garden as a Community Partner Garden for access to resources such as garden planning, tilling, seeds, plants, fertilizer and other garden supplies and technical assistance for a low cost. Call Andrea at 816-931-3877 or email at andrea@kccg.org for more information

#### **Organic Fertilizer for Sale**

Back by popular demand!! KCCG will be selling organic fertilizer in the form of pelletized chicken manure. 2014 Members receive 10lbs with their membership and will be able to purchase additional quantities. All quantities are self-serve. 10 lb.

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- 5 gal. bucket (34lbs) -
- Green Card Members \$2 Yellow Card Members \$4

Green Card Members \$5

Yellow Card Members \$10 Bring your own 5 gallon bucket or purchase a large bag for \$1.50.

## Kansas City Community Gardens 2014 Workshop Schedule

All workshops are approximately 1.5 hours. Workshop space is limited. Please Call 816-931-3877 to register.

			ton, Kansas City, MO 64132 (in Swope Park by the KC Zoo)
February	7	Friday 12:00pm	Selecting, Planting and Caring for Fruit Trees
	14	Friday 12:00pm	Selecting, Planting and Caring for Berry Plants
	21	Friday 12:00pm	Growing Early Spring Crops
	22	Saturday9:00am	Get Growing a Community Garden
	28	Friday 12:00pm	Vegetable Garden Basics
March	3	Monday 6:00pm	Selecting, Planting and Caring for Fruit Trees and Berry Plants
indicit	7	Friday 12:00pm	Raised Bed Gardening
	8	Saturday10:30am	Planning and Planting your Schoolyard Garden
	14	Friday 12:00pm	Growing and Cooking with Herbs
	17	Monday 6:00pm	Vegetable Garden Basics
	28	Friday 12:00pm	Cooking: Spring
April	4	Friday 12:00pm	Planting and Caring for Vine Crops
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May	2	Friday 12:00pm	Insects in the Garden
	16	Friday 12:00pm	Dealing with Animal Pests
June	6	Friday 12:00pm	Freezing your Harvest
	7	Saturday10:00am	Gardening with your Family
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March	10	Monday 6:00pm	Vegetable Garden Basics
April	7	Monday 6:00pm	Growing Tomatoes, Peppers and Sweet Potatoes
June	16	Monday 6:00pm	Insects in the Garden
Kansas Cit	, KS W	orkshops: Bethany P	ark Community Center, 1120 Central Ave. Kansas City, KS 66102
March	24	Monday 6:00pm	Growing Early Spring Crops
	31	Monday 6:00pm	Vegetable Garden Basics
April	14	Monday 6:00pm	Raised Bed Gardening
	28	Monday 6:00pm	Growing Tomatoes, Peppers and Sweet Potatoes
May	5	Monday 6:00pm	Cooking: Spring
Kansas City	, KC IA	larkshans: Pasadala I	Development Association, 1403 Southwest Blvd. KC, KS 66103
February	4	Tuesday 6:00pm	Selecting, Planting and Caring for Fruit Trees and Berry Plants
March	4	Tuesday 6:00pm	Raised Bed Gardening
April	1	Tuesday 6:00pm	Growing Tomatoes, Peppers and Sweet Potatoes
May	6	Tuesday 6:00pm	Spring Harvesting and Growing and Cooking with Herbs
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February	11	Tuesday 5:30pm	Growing Early Spring Crops
April	8	Tuesday 5:30pm	Growing Tomatoes, Peppers and Sweet Potatoes
May	13	Tuesday 5:30pm	Growing and Cooking with Herbs
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April	10	Thursday 6:00	pm Get Growing Water
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	-		bod for you, but not everyone knows how to prepare them. Come learn some easy and delicious recipes. You will also
learn now to	put toge	ether simple salad dressing	gs. We will focus on whatever produce is ready to harvest.
Dealing with	Animal	Pests: How do I keen the	squirrels out of my tomatoes? Although there is no sure-fire solution to this problem, this workshop will discuss com-
-			ways to deter them from your garden.
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Freezing you	r Harves	t: Join us in this demonstr	ation workshop as we explore the craft of preserving your garden-fresh produce. We'll focus on freezing - one of the
		ely preservation methods.	
-	-		to this hands-on workshop featuring easy gardening methods that involve every member of the family. Share the time-
	-	• • •	as we look at basic gardening tasks and provide fun ideas for engaging everyone. We will talk about starting your home
garden, fun s	eeds and	d plants for children and re	ecipes from the garden that everyone will enjoy.

#### Get Growing a Community Garden:

This workshop is essential for anyone thinking of starting a community garden or wanting to expand or improve their existing community garden. Attend one or all sessions.

9:00am-10:00am- How to Start a Community Partner Garden

10:00am-11:00am- Making Your Community Partner Garden Successful 11:00am-12:00pm- Special Enhancements for Community Partner Gardens

Get Growing- Water: Water is essential for healthy productive crops. Come see the different ways farmers and gardeners are accessing water throughout the city. We will talk about rain water catchment systems, water meters, and water conservation.

Growing and Cooking with Herbs: Fresh herbs are a tasty addition to your cooking. Learn the best ways to grow and preserve the most popular varieties. We will cook with several easy to grow herbs. Bring your appetite!

Growing Early Spring Crops: Give in to your spring gardening fever and get outside to plant a spring vegetable garden. Learn about selecting, planting and caring for vegetables that thrive in the cool spring weather.

Growing Tomatoes, Peppers and Sweet Potatoes: Are you overwhelmed by the number of tomato varieties available? Are you confused about heirloom tomatoes? Do your pepper plants not produce as many peppers as you would like? Are you disappointed when you dig up your sweet potatoes? Come learn how to select, plant and care for tomatoes, peppers and sweet potatoes.

**Insects in the Garden**: Do you ever wonder whether the insects in your garden are helping or harming your plants? Learn about the common insects found in our area so that you can identify garden pests as well as the beneficial insects. We will also discuss how to control problem insects.

Planning and Planting your Schoolyard Garden: Designed for teachers or school staff who have or are planning to start a school garden, this workshop will cover basic gardening knowledge needed for planning and planting your spring and summer schoolyard gardens. Plant selection, tips for planting and garden management will all be discussed. We will also highlight ideas for fun garden activities and demonstrate garden-based lessons.

Planting and Caring for Vine Crops: Gardeners are often discouraged about the amount of produce they get from vine crops planted in their gardens. This workshop will discuss methods for increased fruit production, including variety selection, ideal planting dates and disease and insect control.

Raised Bed Gardening: Discover the many benefits of raised bed gardening. Learn how to construct your own raised beds and how to plant in them for maximum efficiency.

Selecting, Planting and Caring for Berry Plants: Grow your own berries right in your own backyard! Learn about the different varieties of fruit-bearing shrubs and how to care for them to produce healthy, high-yielding plants. We will focus on strawberries, blackberries and raspberries, but will discuss other fruit plants as well.

Selecting, Planting and Caring for Fruit Trees: Fruit trees are a great addition to your garden! Learn what varieties are best for this area and how to plant and care for them to get a bountiful harvest. We will focus on the major fruit trees for this area (apple, peach, cherry and pear) but will also cover exotic fruit trees.

Selecting, Planting and Caring for Fruit Trees and Berry Plants: Join us for a special combined workshop on growing fruit trees and berry plants Hour One- Selecting, Planting and Caring for Fruit Trees. Hour Two- Selecting, Planting and Caring for Berry Plants

Vegetable Garden Basics: This workshop is helpful for beginning to experienced gardeners. Learn the fundamentals of successful vegetable gardening including: site selection, soil improvement and preparation, garden planning, planting techniques, variety selection, garden maintenance and harvesting.

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Membership Fee	\$	2.00	\$	12.00	133.24	100000
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Tilling (Green Card & CPG ONLY)	_					
Small Garden (less than 2,000 sq.ft.)	\$	8.00	2.25			
Large Garden (2,000 - 6,000 sq. ft.)	\$	15.00	2.5		23.000	
X-Large Garden (6,000 - 9,000 sq. ft.)	\$	23.00				
Tiller Rental Program	\$	8.00	\$	15.00	1000	
Seeds (per package)	\$	0.20	\$	1.00	\$	1.5
Specialty Seeds (per package)	\$	1.00	\$	1.50	\$	2.0
Vegetable Plants	\$	1.00	\$	2.00		
Plot Rental Fees	\$	10.00	\$	25.00	1000	
Bed Rental Fees	\$	8.00	\$	20.00		
Bed or Plot Deposits (per bed or plot)	Ś	5.00	Ś	5.00	1000	

Warm Season Vegetable Plants on Sale April 25th Tomatoes, Peppers, Eggplants and Herbs Must have a 2014 KCCG membership to purchase plants.

#### NOTE: Yellow Card price increased from 2013

## 2014 SEED LISTING

#### BEANS

**Blue Lake:** (bush) 55 days. Vigorous, branching plants produce heavy yields under adverse conditions. Pods are slow to form seeds or fiber. A classic canning and freezing bean. Flavor is the standard by which others are judged.

**Kentucky Wonder**: (bush) 56 days. Bears a week earlier than pole variety. Long bearing plants with stringless pods.

**Provider**: (bush) 50 days. The most popular early green bean. 5" long, medium green fleshy round pods. Adapted to diverse locations and soil and climate conditions.

Cherokee Yellow Wax: (bush) 51 days. Pale yellow pods on vigorous, hardy, erect 16-18" bushes. All American selection.

**Royal Burgundy**: (bush) 54 days. Vigorous, erect, 15"-20" with high bushes with high yields of 5" purple pods which turn green when cooked. Good for colder soils, resistant to bean beetle.

Asparagus Yard Long: (pole) 80 days. A rampant pole type. Plants grow to 10 feet and produce an astonishing yield of slender, extremely tasty 2 to 3 ft. long pods.

Blue Lake: (pole) 55 days. Famous pole bean variety with excellent freezing and canning qualities. Tender, round, meaty pods on vigorous, heavy yielding plants.

**Kentucky Wonder**: (pole) 63 days. Old fashioned favorite. Vigorous 60"-84" vines with high, extended yields. Rust resistant. Pods are flat (when mature).

**Henderson Lima**: (bush) 66 days. An old favorite baby lima bean. Bears 3.5" pods till frost.

Jackson Wonder Lima Butterbean: (bush) 66 days. A good hot weather bean. 2' tall bushes have high yields of broad pods. Shell out for fresh or dry for winter use.

Soybean- Green Butterbean: (bush) 90 days. Sweet buttery taste and high yielding. 2 to 2-1/2 foot stocky plants well branched and stand well.

Speckled Lima Butterbean: (pole) 80 days. Large quarter-sized seeds. Light cream colored with bright red. Buttery flavored beans, delicious fresh maintaining flavor canned or frozen. Tremendous yield.

#### BEETS

Early Wonder Tall Top: 45 days. Earliest beets and greens. Large vigorous tops. Tall bright, glossy green, red-veined tops, slightly flattened red roots.

**Detroit Dark Red**: 45-70 days. 2.5"-3" globe roots of blood red color. For canning and fresh use.

#### CANTALOUPE (muskmelon)

Delicious 51: 81 days. Early large fruits, 4-5 lbs. Good flavor, thick orange-salmon flesh. Fusarium wilt resistant.

Hale's Best No. 36 Cantaloupe: 80 days. The fruit is highly flavored, beautiful and solidly netted, little if any suture and no ribs, spicy-salmon colored flesh. Fruit 2.5 to 3 pounds, uniform in size, slight oval shape.

#### CARROTS



**Nantes:** 62-70 days. Small 10-12'' tops with  $6 1/2'' \times 1''$  bright redorange blunt roots. Good fresh or frozen.

**Royal Chantenay:** 65 days. Cylindrical 6" roots for heavy or shallow soils. Tops are sturdy, 15"-20." Dependable heavy yields.

#### COLLARDS

**Georgia**: 70 days. The old standard. Erect, spreading 36" plants, large, cabbage-like blue-green, slightly crumpled leaves; heat and poor soil tolerant.

#### CORN

**Argent:** 85 days. 8-1/2 to 9 inch ears with 14-16 rows of fine white kernels, tender sweet creamy texture, with a superior package and husk protection. (hybrid)

**Bodacious** (se+): 75 days. An extremely high quality yellow corn. (our favorite!) Very sweet and tender. 8" long ears. Plants are 87" tall. (hybrid)

Peaches & Cream: 70 days. Matures early in the season, 8-1/2 inches long, petite-bi-colored kernels. (hybrid)

**Robust**: (popcorn) 110 days. An early maturing gourmet yellow popcorn. 7' tall plants with 1-2 ears. (hybrid)

#### CUCUMBER

Marketmore 76: (56 days) (slicing cucumber) Long, slender, dark green cucumbers on short space saving vines. Disease resistant.

National Pickling: (57 days). Fruit slightly tapered, about 4 to 6 inches long. Medium dark green color.

#### GREENS (Misc.)

Arugula 'Astro': 38 days. Peppery flavored, cool-season, salad green. Early, heat tolerant, strap leaf variety has somewhat milder flavor than regular Arugula. Best when picked young.

Tatsoi: 45 days. Leaves form a compact, thick rosette. Long harvest period. Mild taste for salads, stir-fries, etc.

#### KALE

Vates Blue Curled: 56 days. Standard blue/green curled. Plants are 14" tall.

#### KOHLRABI

**Early White Vienna:** 50 days. Uniform plant with short top and few leaves. Stems mature quickly, Harvest at 2" in diameter.

#### LETTUCE

**Buttercrunch**: 60 days. Boston type or loosehead. Larger and more heat tolerant than Bibb, slower to bolt, stands at least 2 weeks longer without bolting. Leaves are thick, crisp and tender and remain sweet after bolting. All-America winner. KCCG 40th Anniversary Gourmet Lettuce Blend: 30 – 60 days. This custom blend of our favorite lettuces was specially chosen to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of KCCG. It includes 11 (Cimmaron, Red Salad Bowl, Salad Bowl, Oakleaf Royal, Red Salis, Buttercrunch, Tango, Ruby Red, Canasta, Four Seasons) great tasting different premium lettuce varieties with great diversity of color and texture.

**Ruby Red**: 40 days. A red leaf lettuce that has bright red, glossy and crumbled leaves.

Salad Bowl: 45 days. A green leaf lettuce that is sweet and crisp. Ruffled leaves. Slow to bolt.

#### MUSTARD

**Curly Leaf:** 55 days. Bright green leaves are crumpled and heavily curled. Upright plants are slow to bolt. Strong mustard flavor.

Florida Broadleaf: 50 days. Early fast growing variety for processing, market, and home gardening. Large, upright plants 10" high, deep green, oval, smooth leaves with whitish-green midribs.

**Red Giant Mustard**: 45 days. Very attractive plant with reddish leaves. Can be harvested either as a 6" plant or allowed to grow to 17". Has a mild, mustard flavor. Sow spring through fall. Slow bolting.

Tendergreen Mustard: 40 days. Large plants quick growing. Leaves oblong, thick, fairly smooth, dark green. Mustard-spinach flavor.

#### OKRA

**Burgundy:** 55 days. Bears moderate amounts of red pods on tall plants. Pods turn green when cooked. AAS.



**Clemson Spineless:** 55 days. The most popular okra variety available. Plants are 4' - 6'' tall, with straight, deep green spineless pods. AAS.

**Dwarf Green Long Pod**: 50 days. Pods are bright green, ridged and tapered, tend to be more slender than the Clemson Spineless. Plant height is 3' - 4' tall.

#### PEAS

**Blackeye:** (cowpea) 60-78 days. Vigorous, high yielding 24"-40" plants 7"-9" pods with 10-12 seeds per pod. Wilt resistant, excellent as a shell bean, or as a dry bean, produces well in the North. Cowpeas are the best nitrogen fixers in the garden; so be sure to treat your seed with a general purpose legume inoculant.

Black Crowder: (cowpea) 63 days. Long Pods. Prolific and easy to shell. Seeds turn black when dry.

**Brown Crowder:** (cowpea) 60. Extra large, light-brown crowder, straw colored red-tinged pods 7" to 9". Very productive, easy to pick and shell, good flavor, bushy plants. Clemson SC/AES.

**Purple Hull**: (cowpea) 50-78 days. Popular southern purple-hulled crowder. Strong, vigorous plants. Excellent for cooking green or freezing. White pea with small purple eye. Two crops in a season in this region.





Green Arrow: (English pea) 62 days, Vigorous vines (36" tall) with 8-11 bright green peas per pod. Sweet flavor. Resistant to mildew, Fusarium, and root rot.

Super Sugar Snap: (snap pea) 64 days. Plumper pods and earlier and higher yield than Sugar Snap. 2-1/2 - 3 inch length, round slightly curved, fleshy green pods. Tall vines need support. Resistant to powdery mildew; tolerant to pea leaf roll

Oregon Giant: (snow pea) 69 days. The first high sugar snow pea. High yields of extra large flat pods. Tolerant to powdery mildew, common wilt and



#### PUMPKIN

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Connecticut Field: 110 days. The standard general purpose or large Halloween pumpkin. Hard, smooth, somewhat ribbed, deep orange. 15 - 25 lbs.

Small Sugar: 100 days. Averaging about 6-7 lbs. each, this is one of the standard smaller pumpkins. Good yields of deep orange pumpkins with high quality flesh.

#### RADISH

Cherry Belle: 20-30 days. Round, bright cherry red with white flesh. Root is about 1" in diameter, tops about 3" at harvest time. Keeps well after lifting.

White Icicle: 30 days. A uniform short top strain which forms 6" long roots very quickly. Flesh is white, crisp and mild.

#### **SPINACH**

Bloomsdale Longstanding: 45 days. Heavy yields of crinkled, thick textured, glossy, dark green leaves. Slow to bolt.

Space: 39 days. Early and high yielding smooth leaf spinach. Big plants are upright and disease resistant. Long standing. (hybrid)

Tyee: 42 days. Savoy-leaf type spinach. Has an upright growth habit with high bolt resistance and vigorous growth. A good choice for overwintering. (hybrid)

#### SQUASH

Yellow Crookneck: (summer squash) 58 days. Bears later than straightnecks but yields consistently for the rest of the season. Bright yellow fruits are best picked when skin is still smooth (4"-6" long).



Yellow Straightneck,

Early Prolific: (summer squash) 42-56 days. Fruit are uniform lemon yellow and straight. Best when picked at 4-6". Resistant to squash bug and striped

cucumber beetle. All-America selection.

Bennings Green Tint: (Patty Pan) (summer squash) 49 days. 3x2.5" pale green, scalloped and spiny summer squash. Delicious raw and cooked.

Black Beauty Zucchini: (summer squash) 44 days. Bush type. Long, straight, slender with slight ridges, blackgreen color. Flesh greenish white, with firm, fine delicate flavor. Pick when 6 to 8 " long, while still tender.

Table Queen Acorn: (winter squash) 85 days. Acorn shaped fruits, ribbed, smooth, thin-shelled, dark green, length 5-1/2", diameter 4-1/2". Flesh is light yellow, bakes dry and sweet.

Buttercup: (winter squash) 100 days. Turban shaped 4-1/2" diameter. 4 to 5 lbs. Rind is dark with narow strip. Thick orange flesh. Excellent flavor. Keeps well ..

Waltham Butternut: (winter squash) 105 days. Popular winter squash. Uniform fruits averaging 9" long and 4-5 lbs. Flowers later than other winter squashes, but fruits develop quickly and keep well long into the winter. Less attractive to squash bugs than some other winter squash. AAS

Spaghetti Squash: (winter squash) 88 days. An early maturing type with ivory-colored skin turning pale yellow at maturity. Fork out the baked or boiled spaghettilike flesh as a disappointing substitute for pasta.

#### SWISS CHARD

Fordhook Giant: 60 days. A tall, vigorous strain with broad dark leaves. Stems are thick and white. Tolerates hot weather well.

Ruby: 60 days. Similar to Fordhook but with crimson stalks and veins

#### TURNIP

Purple Top: 60 days. Produces round, purple topped 4" roots for early summer harvest, greens are profuse as well

Seven Top: 45-50 days. Used only for greens; roots are tough and woody. Usually grown as a winter annual for spring greens and shoots.

Shogoin: 42 days. Produces white roots that should be used while still young and mild. Greens are tender and mild.

#### WATERMELON

Crimson Sweet: 96 days. Short, oval light green fruit with dark stripes average 15-25 lbs. Tolerant to fusarium and anthracnose, dark red flesh, with high sugar content in a dry year. Small seeds. Developed for this

Sugar Baby: 76 days, round fruits 6"-8" in diameter averaging 8-10 lbs. Ripe melons have very dark green rinds (except for a yellow belly) and sweet red flesh with small seeds.

Verona Black Diamond: 80 days. Early and productive. Sweet red flesh. Not as susceptible to diseases as the old Black Diamond. Fruits are large (30 lb. average).

#### HERBS

Basil: (Italian Large Leaf sweet basil) A sweeter pesto type basil. Large, medium-dark

plant with larger (up to 4" long) leaves. Is one week later to bolt.

Chives: Smooth, slender hollow leaves about 12 - 18 inches long in clumps, gives mild onion-like flavor to soups, sauces, eggs and potatoes. (perennial)

Cilantro/Coriander: Aromatic annual herb. This variety has greater leaf production. Requires 7-10 days to germinate in cool soil. Slow in bolting, produces lots of foliage in a 14" plant. Has a distinctive flavor most appropriate in hot, spicy dishes. Prefers direct-seeding in a sunny location.

Dill: Requires light for germination, direct seed in sunny location, plant reaches about 3'. Germination usually about 60%.

Curly-Leaf Parsley: The standard curly leaved variety.

#### **FLOWERS**

Cosmos: ('Sensation') Old fashioned favorite with large single flowers, 3-4" across in shades of lavender, pink, magenta, and white. Large plants (48-54" tall) are easy to grow. Good for cut flowers.

Daisy, Gloriosa: Upright annual with large 3 to 5 inch single blooms of rich golden yellow or mahogany red. Requires full sun. Heat and drought resistant. Plant height 2 to 3 feet. Blooms from June to September.

Daisy, Shasta: Hardy perennial with white petalled flowers with golden centers on single erect stems. Prefers full sun to partial shade in fertile soil. Plant height 2 to 3 feet. Blooms in June and July.

Dames Rocket: Hardy biennial. Lilac-purple flowers are concentrated at then end of 2 to 3 foot tall stalks. Sweet fragrances. Plant in well drained soil in full sun or partial shade. Blooms in April and May.

Four O'Clocks: (Marvel of Peru) grows 15-24" tall and produces one-inch white, red or yellow flowers that open in late afternoon.

Marigold, Crackerjack: A tall African type, better suited for cut flowers, growing about 30" tall. Large flowers are yellow, orange, and gold.

Marigold, Sparky: Dwarf French variety, good for border plantings. Mixed colors.

Nasturtium: A colorful, edible flower. Tolerant of poor soils and heat or cold. Big seeds are ideal for kids' gardens. Flower heads 2-1/2" across.



#### Giant Sunflower (Sun 891):

Large single blooms (8-12") are produced on 7' plants. Large edible seeds

Sweet Alyssum: Hardy annual with dense clusters of tiny snow-white flowers. Blooms best in cool weather but will bloom continuously throughout the growing season if spent blooms are trimmed back. Compact plant of 8 to 12 inch height, heat and drought resistant. Grows in full sun to partial shade in almost any soil.

Zinnia: Early maturing, mildew tolerant, 24" plants produce 4"-5" multicolored flowers good for cutting.

#### GOURDS

Birdhouse Gourds: (95 days) 12" long gourds with narrow necks with a hard shell. Excellent for making birdhouses and crafts.

Small Mixed Gourds: (100 days) Produces a good yield of small size gourds of various shapes and colors. Excellent for making crafts, birdhouses, dippers, etc.





green leaves. High yielding



### Kansas City Community Gardens Planting Calendar

Arugula	3/15-4/25		
Alugula	8/1-8/20		
Bean, Pole	5/1-5/20		
Bean, Bush	4/15-5/20		
Bean, Bush	7/25-8/10		
Beet	3/15-4/15		
Beel	8/1-8/10		
Broccoli (plants)	3/20-4/10		
	7/25-8/5		
Brussels Sprouts (plants)	3/20-4/10		
	3/20-4/20		
Cabbage (plants)	7/20-8/5		
Cantaloupe	5/1-5/20		
Carrot	3/15-4/5		
Carlot	7/20-8/5		
Cauliflower (plants)	3/20-4/20		
	3/15-4/10		
Collards (seeds or plants)	7/25-8/20		
Corn	4/25-7/1		
Cucumber	5/5-5/30		
Eggplant (plants)	5/10- 5/25		
Garlic	11/15-12/15		
Kala (acada ar planta)	3/20-4/5		
Kale (seeds or plants)	7/25-8/20		
Kohlrabi	3/25-4/15		
Lattuce Head (seeds or plants)	3/15-4/20		
Lettuce, Head (seeds or plants)	8/1-8/20		
Lettuce Leaf	3/15-5/10		
Lettuce, Leaf	8/1-8/20		

#### Order Sweet Potato Plants Now!!!!

KCCG will be taking orders for Beauregard Sweet Potato Plants until Friday, April 25. \$2.00 per dozen

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The Beanstalk opens June 16th and will close October 17th. Morning and afternoon tours are available from mid-June to mid-July and September until we close in October. During the heat of the summer, mid-July thru August, we will only be booking morning tours. Tour times book quickly, so call Earlene at 816-931-3877 or email her at earlene@kccg.org to book your tour today!!

3/15-5/1 Mustard Greens 8/1-8/30 Okra 5/1-5/25 Onion 3/15-4/15 4/25-5/10 Peanut Pea, Snap 3/15-4/10 Pea, Southern 4/25-5/15 5/1-5/30 Pepper (plants) Potato 3/20-4/10 Pumpkin 5/15-5/25 3/15-5/1 Radish 8/1-8/25 Rutabaga 7/15-7/30 3/20-4/20 Spinach 8/1-8/20 Squash, Summer 4/25-5/30 Squash, Winter 4/25-5/30 Sweet Potato 5/10-6/10 4/1-5/30 Swiss Chard 7/25-8/20 3/15-5/1 Tatsoi 8/1-8/30 Tomato (plants) 5/1-5/20 3/20-5/1 Turnip 7/20-8/15 Watermelon 5/1-5/20

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## 2014 PLANT LISTING

#### BROCCOLI

Goliath: 76 days. Huge 10-12" heads. Short bunch plants 15" height. Heads are medium green, fine

beaded, crowned. Good side shoot production. Do Not Crowd.

Packman: 55 days. Large, semi-domed, tight bead, side shoots. (hybrid)

Premium Crop: 65 days. The standard variety for bedding plant growers or main crops

in stable climates. Large flat, 10" heads average 1 lb. without side shoots. Should be spaced correctly and not subjected to undue stress. (hybrid)

#### **BRUSSELS SPROUTS**

Diablo (F1): 110 days. Tall plants produce heavy crops of smooth, medium-sized sprouts. Sprouts are solid and hold well in the field.

#### CABBAGE

Charmant: 65 days. Darker green, larger version of Stonehead. Upright plant habit and dense head forms slowly for extended cutting period. High quality. Yellow tolerant, fresh cabbage. (hybrid)

Stonehead: 67 days. A very popular mid-season variety. Round, very solid heads average 4 lbs, can stand a long time without bursting. Tolerant to yellows. (hybrid)

Napa: 60 days. Light green leaves form a barrel shaped head of 4-6 lbs. Slow bolting and equally good for early spring and fall crops. (hybrid)

Red Express: 63 days. Extra early red. Compact plants and solid, round, 2-4 lb. heads with good appearance and flavor. Relatively split resistant. (hybrid)

Savoy Ace: 73 days. Deep green color wrinkled leaves, tolerant to colld, tender and sweet. (hybrid)

#### CAULIFLOWER

Snow Crown: 50 days. Well rounded solid white heads average about 2 lbs. apiece and measure up to 7 1/2"

across with good depth. Plants are vigorous and very

uniform in size. (hybrid)

**COLLARDS** 

Georgia: 70 days. The old standard. Erect. spreading 36" plants, large, cabbage-like blue-green, slightly

bolt. Top Bunch : 50 days. Earliest to harvest. Tall productive plant produces medium green slightly blistered

leaves. A Georgia-type hybrid with savoyed leaves.

crumpled leaves; heat and poor soil tolerant, slow to

#### EGGPLANT

Clara (F1): 65 days. Unique, large white Italian type. High yielding plants with early maturation. Fruits are 6-7" long by 4-5" wide. (hybrid)

Nadia: 67 days. Uniform dark purple fruits with green calyx are glossy and blemish free. Tall sturdy plants can set under cool conditions Orient Express: 58 days. Attractive, slender 8 to 10", glossy black fruits in long Oriental style. Ready up to 2 weeks before other early varieties. Tender, delicately flavored and quick cooking. (hybrid)

Ping Tung Long: 70 days. Heirloom Asian eggplant that is prolific, early producing. Glossy purple fruits are slender (12-18" long and 1-2" wide.) This variety can yield up to 20 fruits per plant and are vigorous and stress tolerant. Stake plants to maintain straight fruits. Very tender skin does not need to be peeled. Good tolerance to disease. (OP)

#### **HERBS**

Basil Cilantro Garlic Chives Oregano Flat Leaf Parsley Sage Thai Basil

Chives Fern Leaf Dill French Sorrel Curly Leaf Parsley Rosemary Savory Thyme

#### KALE

Nero Di Toscana: 50 days. Dark green leaves that are 3" wide and 10" long with a blistered surface. An excellent kale for fall production. It is a cross between cabbage and kale and is more cold hardy than other varieties. Its flavor is best and sweetest after a frost. (OP)

Redbor: 55 days. This deep red kale keeps its color all summer long and becomes move vivid in the cool fall. It makes a lovely accent plant when planted next to green kale. (hybrid)

Winterbor: 60 days. Plants grow 2-3' tall and have excellent cold hardiness. Large numbers of curled bluegreen leaves. Plants regrow vigorously after harvesting. (hybrid)

#### LETTUCE

Buttercrunch: 60 days. Boston type or loosehead. Larger and more heat tolerant than Bibb, slower to bolt, stands at least 2 weeks longer without bolting. Leaves are thick, crisp and tender and remain sweet after bolting. All-America winner.

Canasta: (Crisphead) 58 days. Crisp, full-flavored

and exceptionally bolt resistant. Large, ruffled, yellow-green leaves, lightly tinged with red.

Coastal Star: 57 days. Large green romaine lettuce with excellent heat tolerance.



Red Cross: 48 days. A large dark red leafed butterhead lettuce that is more heat tolerant than Four Season. Great for spring and fall crops.

#### ONION

Candy: (yellow) 90 days. A variety that can be successfully grown in any area. It has a unique, sweet and mild flavor, early maturity, and produces jumbo to colossal bulb size. Stores 3 months. (hybrid)

Candy Apple: (red) 100 days. Sweet at harvest becomes more pungent during storage. Stores 2 to 3 months. (hybrid)

Superstar: (white) 100 days. The first hybrid onion to win the "All-American Selection" award. It is earlier, milder, sweeter, larger, and more widely adapted than other white onions. This is the easiest variety to grow for large onions. Stores 4 to 5 months. (hybrid)

Intermediate Day Sampler: 90-100 days. Assorted bundle of Candy (Yellow) Candy Apple (Red) and Superstar.

#### **HOT PEPPERS**

Anaheim: 68 days: These are the mildly hot, meaty chiles that you buy in those little cans at the grocery labeled, "Chiles". These however, taste much better than canned ones. These plants are about 30" tall and yields an abundance of 7-8" long chiles with a shiny green color or ripening to a mellow red color. This is an easy pepper to grow. (open pollinated)

Ancho San Martin: 75 days. Larger size, early maturity and great production. Thick-fleshed peppers, mature to 5-1/2" length and 3-1/2" width. (hybrid)

Caribbean Red: 110 days. Hotter than the regular orange Habanero. Bright red wrinkled fruits 1 to 1-1/2" deep and 1" wide. Handle this pepper with care!!! (open-pollinated)

Cayenne: 75 days. Thin tapered fiery hot standard, 5-3/4" curved fruit ripen from dark green to crimson red. (open pollinated)

Habanero: 90 days. Extremely hot small fruit start out light green and ripen orange. Handle with extreme caution. (open pollinated)

Hot Hungarian Yellow Wax: 60 days. A yellow, medium hot variety. Fruit average 6-7" long and slightly tapered. (open pollinated)

Jalapeno: 70 days. The classic medium hot pepper. These small fruit can be used in almost any kind of cooking and will keep well in a multitude of ways. The virtues of this pepper cannot be highly enough touted. (open pollinated)

Serrano Del Sol: 75 days. Strong plants that load up early with dozens of fruit that are twice the size of a regular Serrano Chile. (open pollinated)

#### **BELL PEPPERS**

Ace: 50 days. Amazing extra-early yields of small to medium-sized green bell peppers. Ripens red. (hybrid)



Bell Boy: 70 days. Fruit is medium long, thick-walled, mostly 4-lobed, green ripening to red. All-America winner. TMV resistant. (hybrid)

Big Bertha: 72 days. Huge thick-walled fruits, 6-7 inches long, 4 inches across. Dark green (ripening to red) and tender. Vigorous plants bear heavily. (hybrid)

Early Sunsation: 70 days. Big blocky bell peppers, 4-1/2" long and nearly as wide, smooth and consistently well-shaped. Plants are tolerant to most pepper virus diseases and 3 races of bacterial spot. Extra sweet when fully yellow. (hybrid)

Flamingo: 66 days. An improved Gypsy pepper. Produces very large crops of thick wall fruits that are 3-1/2 x 3-1/2". Color starts as yellow green and turns brilliant orange red when ripe. All the flavor of a Gypsy in a larger size. (F1 hybrid)

Gypsy: 50 days. Very early and prolific pepper. Fruits are wedge shaped, 2-3 lobes, 3-4 inches long, greenish yellow turning to orange red. Compact plants. (hybrid)

Orange Sun: 80 days. Beautiful deep orange bell pepper is 4 to 5" long and not quite as wide. Thick walls and very sweet flavor. (hybrid)

Red Knight: 55 days green. 75 days red. Big, blocky, thick walled and turns red early. Fruity and sweet. King Arthur type with better disease resistance in more compact, open plant. (hybrid)



#### SWEET PEPPERS

Bounty: 65 days. A larger more vigorous banana type pepper. Fruits are 8-10" long, sweet and delicious. (F1) (hvbrid)

Carmen: 60 days green, 80 red. Sweet Italian frying pepper lovely, sweet taste for salads and roasting, especially when partially or fully red-ripe. Tapered fruits avg. 6" long x 2 1/2" wide, 5 oz. (142 gm), and ripen from green to deep carmine red. Maturity is early on an upright, medium-size plant. . AAS winner. (hybrid) Lipstick: 53 days. Shiny cone-shaped fruit ripen early to red. Thick and juicy fruit are extremely sweet when ripe. Delicious for eating out of hand. (open pollinated)

Sweet Banana: 72 days. Long, tapered fruits with thin walls are light green and ripen red. (open pollinated)

Sweet Pickles: 75 days. Short plants that produce an abundance of 2-3" cone shaped sweet peppers. All colors, yellow, orange, red and purple are on the plant at the same time. Makes excellent pickled peppers. (open pollinated)

#### **TOMATOES**



ged vines produce large crops of bright red, 12-16 oz. smooth, flavorful fruit. Has better disease resistance than Big Boy. Firm and perfect for slicing. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

Big Beef: 73 days (VFFNTASt). Extra large, juicy red fruits, approximately 10 - 12 oz. Very heavy yield. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

Big Boy: 78 days. A classic tomato. Large fruits, up to 2 lbs. with scarlet, smooth skin, thick walls, and fine flavor. Not disease resistant. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

Celebrity: 77 days. (VFNT) A good quality, very productive variety that performs well under a wide variety of conditions. Fruit average 3 1/2" in diameter and are fairly round. Resistant to Verticillium, two strains of Fusarium, Nematodes and Tobacco Mosaic virus. An excellent home garden variety. AAS (determinate) (hybrid)

Early Girl: 55 days. (VFF) Early red slicing tomato yields heavy crops of 4-6 oz. fruit. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

Goliath: 65 days. (VFFNTASt) Smooth, birth red, deep oblate fruits averaging 10 to 15 ounces. A sweet flavor that lives up to its virtually blemish free exterior. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

Jet Star: 72 days. (VF) Large, firm fruit. Heavy yield, delicious flavor. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

Lemon Boy: 72 days (VFN) The first lemon yellow, not golden tomato. Extremely vigorous plants produce large harvests of attractive fruit that weigh 8 ounces or more. Flavor is outstanding, mild and sweet, yet tangy, and definitely not bland. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

Super Marzano: 70 days (VFNT) Large pear shaped fruit are an average of 5 inches long. Fruit is high in pectin, giving sauce and paste a natural thickness. Tall plants give large yields and are resistant to bacterial speck. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

Supersteak: 80 days. (VFN) Large beefsteak type with smooth fruits. High yielding and vigorous plants. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

Whopper: 70 days. (VFFNT) An improved version of Park's Whopper. Large fruits are born early and over a long season. Good disease and crack resistance. Good flavor and texture. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

#### **HEIRLOOM TOMATO**

Arkansas Traveler: 76 days. Smooth, crack free. Rose pink 6-8 oz. flattened globe tomatoes are mild and juicy. Healthy plants produce blemish-free fruit through the end of the season. (indeterminate)

Brandywine: 78 days. Old variety (an Amish heirloom) famous for its great flavor. Large fruit with deep pink skin and red flesh. (indeterminate) (open-pollinated)

Black Trifele: 85 days. Produces a large number of pear-shaped, intensely purple black colored fruits. The flavor is fantastic and slices are lovely on hamburgers or salad. (indeterminate)

Cherokee Purple: 72 days. This variety of tomato is believed to be over 100 years old and originally from the Cherokee people. Juicy tomatoes with a very full flavor and plenty of tang. Medium-large, flattened globe fruits with a distinctly different color, dusky pink with darker pink/purple shoulders. The multilocular interior is purplish-pinkish-brown in color, with green

gel when less ripe. (indeterminate) (open pollinated)

German Striped: 78 days. Bicolored fruit of red and yellow. The flat, medium to large, variably ribbed shoulder tomatoes are about equally shaded yellow and red. Medium tall vines. (indeterminate) (open pollinated)

Rutgers VFA: 75 days. Has some disease resistance. Produces large crops of crack-free 6 to 8 ounce tomatoes with old fashioned taste. (determinate)

#### CHERRY TOMATO

Black Cherry: 64 days. Sweet and robust, round fruits almost black in color. Dynamic flavor, high yielding. (indeterminate) (open pollinated)

Sun Gold Cherry: 57 days. Tangerine-orange, sweet intense fruity flavor. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

Super Sweet 100: VF Indeterminate plants produce long strands of 100 or more super-sweet cherry tomatoes, weighing about 1 oz. each and measuring 1" in diameter. Extra-high in Vitamin C. Plants bear fruits throughout the season. (hybrid)

Sweet Chelsea: 67 days. (VFFNTA) Cherry tomato with large (1 3/4") super sweet fruit. Vigorous 3' plants should be staked. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

#### SPECIALTY PLANTS

Ground Cherry 'Aunt Molly': 70 days. Small tomato type fruit covered with a papery husk. Pick when the fruits fall to the ground. The flavor is intensely sweet with pineapple tones. Great in pies and sauces. Wonderful fresh.

Tomatillo 'San Juanito': 80 days. Extra large green fruit covered with a leafy husk. Great for salsa and other Mexican recipes. (determinate)

Epazote: 55 days. Pungent herb with refreshing camphor and minty overtones used often in Mexican cooking for flavor and to control gassiness in bean dishes. Plant every 2-3 weeks from spring through early summer to ensure a steady harvest.

## **For Sale** Super-strong tomato cages! Individual gardeners with a current KCCG membership can purchase up to 12 tomato cages at \$5.00 each. We will have tomato cages for sale starting on Monday April 21st. Our tomato cages will be available on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last.

The tomato cages are sold flat with the zip-ties to hold them together. Some of the cages have sharp edges and rust so the bed of a truck is the best way to transport them. Please be prepared to take the cages with you at the time of purchase as we will not be able to hold cages for anvone.



**Onion Sets** Red, White, Yellow

\$1.00 per pound

**Seed Potatoes** 

\$2.50 per 5 pound bag or \$.50 per pound

Will be available in the office starting March 4th.

#### **Onion Plants**

Candy Yellow, Candy Red, Superstar (White), Day Sampler \$2.50/bundle (1 bundle is 50 - 60 plants)

> Leeks Lancelot \$2.00/bundle (1 bundle is 25 plants)



Will be available the week of March 10th.

## SPECIALTY SEEDS: "Seeds from the Beanstalk"

These specialty seeds are the same varieties of many of the special plants that we grow in the Beanstalk Children's Garden. These seeds are more expensive and the cost is \$1.00 per pack for green card members, \$1.50 per pack for yellow card members and \$2.00 per pack for non-members.

#### VEGETABLES

Bean, Dragon's Tongue: (bush) 60-100 days. An old, dual purpose French variety (Dragon Langerie), with gorgeous pods yellow streaked with purple. As snap beans, pods turn all yellow after cooking. Delicious as shell beans too.

Bean, Yardlong 'Red Noodle': 85 days. Beans grow 16-20" long and as slender as a pencil. The burgundy color stands out on the plants. Young pods are sweet with an intense flavor. Older pods can be shelled for traditional southern peas. Plants produce heavily with up to 4 pods in a cluster.

**Beet 'Red and Golden Blend'**: This unique blend allows you to have dark red, bright red, golden and striped beets all from one planting.

Carrot 'Mokum': 54 days. Early Nantes type hybrid. A short, very early carrot that has a great sweet flavor. It matures

quickly making it ideal for early spring or fall gardens. Tops are shorter than other varieties.



#### Cucumber 'County Fair': 52 days.

An early cucumber with a high yield of 3-4" long cucumbers ideal for both pickles and eating fresh. Plants have mostly female flowers and fruits will be almost seed free if grown away from other cucumbers. No pollinator is needed. This is the only variety resistant to bacterial wilt carried by cucumber beetles.

**Cucumber 'Diva'**: 58 days. Diva is a 2002 All-America winner. It has smooth thin skin and a tender bitter free taste. Plants produce all female flowers and do not need another variety for pollination so they can be grown under row cover to keep insects off. Foliage is resistant to mildew and scab along with some resistance to cucumber beetles.

**Cucumber 'Suyo Long'**: 61 days. Traditional variety from China has fruits up to 15 inches long that are sweet flavored and bitter free. Vines are widely adapted, grow well in hot weather and set fruit early. **French Sorrel:** 60 days. This perennial salad herb is a favorite of children. They have a sharp, sour lemony flavor making them delicious to eat right out of the garden. Young leaves are best. Can be eaten in salads or cooked gently for soups.

**Gourd 'Baby bottle'**: 100 days: Vining. A miniature version of the larger bottle gourd, these fruits are 3-4" long. They dry to a hard shell that can be painted or carved. Kids love to use these for crafts.

**Gourd 'Luffa'**: 90 days. The plant that makes luffa sponges. Fruits can be eaten when they are 2-6" long and are called "Chinese okra". Dry the gourds, shake out the seeds and soak to clean and you have great bath sponges.

**Ground Cherry 'Aunt Molly'**: 70 days. Small tomato type fruit covered with a papery husk. Pick when the fruits fall to the ground. The flavor is intensely sweet with pineapple tones. Great in pies and sauces. Wonderful fresh.

Kale 'Redbor': 55 days. This deep red kale keeps its color all summer long and becomes more vivid in the cool fall. It makes a lovely accent plant when planted next to green kale.

Lettuce 'Canasta': 50-60 days. A favorite of KCCG members, Canasta is a Batavian type semi-heading lettuce that forms a crisp head with ruffled leaf edges. Leaves have a bronze edging. It is sweet and crispy tasting and holds well into summer heat.

Malabar Spinach, 'Red': 85 days. Not a tree spinach - these vigorous climbing vines grow through summer into fall. Glossy, thick, savoyed leaves resemble spinach. Mild swiss chard taste. Use leaves and young stems sparingly in salads or stir fries.

**Okra 'Jambalaya':** 50 days (hybrid) This early producing, high yielding okra has delicious tender pods on compact plants. (hybrid)

**Pepper 'Gypsy'**: 50 days. Very early and prolific pepper. Fruits are wedge shaped, 2-3 lobes, 3-4 inches long, greenish yellow turning to orange red. Compact plants. (hybrid)

**Pumpkin 'Snackface' - Hulless Seed**: 105 days. Do you love roasted pumpkin seeds? This is the pumpkin for you. Semi-bush plants produce 2-3# fruits that have large hull-less seeds great for roasting. Doing double duty, the flesh is also good for pie.

Radish 'Easter Egg': 30 days. This seed packet will produce beautiful radishes in a variety of colors (red, white, pink, purple) that are fun for kids to pick and eat. The roots grow larger than standard varieties and stay crisp and mild even when large.

**Snap Pea 'Sugar Ann'**: 60 days.  $2-2 \frac{1}{2}$  vines. This dwarf version of sugar snap peas has sweet, edible pods that have a juicy crunchy snap when eaten. Snap peas require cool weather and a trellis for a good harvest.

Swiss Chard 'Bright Lights': 28 days for baby chard 55 days for larger leaves. Vibrant, rainbow colored stalks are an eye-catching addition to your garden. Plants thrive throughout spring, summer and into fall providing a steady supply of greens. Swiss chard can be eaten raw but generally is steamed or sautéed. Routine cutting of larger leaves will stimulate continuous production through frost.

Tomatillo San Juanito': 80 days – Extra large green fruits covered with a leafy husk. Great for salsa and other Mexican recipes. (determinate)

Tomato 'Black Cherry': 64 days after transplant. This is the first truly black cherry tomato. It has a lovely flavor that is sweet with a bit of a tangy bite. Plants are indeterminate and need to be staked. Produces a large crop of 1" fruits. Tastes like an heirloom and produces like a hybrid. Start seeds indoors 6-8 weeks before the last frost. Provide bright light to prevent leggy plants. Transplant outdoors around May 10-15.

Watermelon 'Yellow Doll': 75-80 days. Brightly colored yellow flesh is sweet, crisp and juicy. Melons are about 3-5 lbs, which makes them easier to store in the refrigerator. Plants produce heavily.

#### **FLOWERS**

**Cardinal Climber**: 73 days. These vines have bright red 1" blooms and deeply cut leaves. Part of the morning glory family, the flowers attract hummingbirds. Use the vines to cover a fence or unsightly feature in your yard. Vines grow 15-20' long and require a heavy fence or trellis to support the vines.

**Cypress Vine 'Maiden Feather'**: Vining flower. Soft lacey leaves frame star-like flowers in red, pink and white. Blooms mid-summer to frost. The flowers are a favorite of hummingbirds. Requires a structure to climb on. Plants can be used to cover unsightly areas, fences or sides of buildings. Hyacinth Bean 'Ruby Moon': This vigorous growing tropical vine has purple flowers, beans and leaves which are all edible. The bean pods are not especially good tasting and the dry seeds are reputedly toxic. The flowers have a nice crunchy, beany flavor. Vines grow very long so support is needed. Flowering begins in late July or early August going until frost. This is the signature plant of The Beanstalk Children's Garden.

Marigold 'Janie' Mix: 8" plants with 1¼" blooms. Moderate size plants with numerous brightly colored flowers. Plants produce more and larger flowers than other French types. An excellent choice for mass plantings. Start indoors 6-8 weeks before last frost, around March 20-30.

**Moonflower:** 5" white flowers open in the evening with a sweet fragrance. Vines grow 10-20' long.

Morning Glory 'Clark's Heavenly Blue': Vines over 12' long Blooms late summer - frost. An improved blue morning glory with large luminous flowers. Vines climb up walls, fences and trellises. To aid germination either nick seed coat or soak for 36-48 hours before planting.

**Nasturtium 'Whirlybird' Mix**: Dwarf plants with semidouble flowers. Large bright flowers are yellow, orange and red. Whirlybird tolerates more heat than standard varieties. Flowers and leaves are edible with a pleasant peppery flavor.

Sunflower 'Autumn Beauty': This variety is a warm blend of yellow, orange, bronze and red sunflowers that are 4-6" across. 'Autumn Beauty' is excellent for cut flowers and bouquets. Multi-branched plants are 5-6' tall.

Sunflower 'Giant Grey Stripe': Produces huge heads up to 20 inches across that are filled with large, thin-

shelled, very plump seeds that are high in protein. Plants are 8 to 12 feet tall. Use seeds for snacks, bird food or chicken feed.



Zinnia 'Benary Giants' Mixed Colors: 75-90 days from transplanting. Benary zinnias have large vibrant blooms that are fully double. Plants are up to 4' tall with 4-6" stems. The flowers hold longer in the vase than standard zinnias. They are less susceptible to powdery mildew than most other zinnias. Keep flowers picked to stimulate blooming.

#### **HERBS**

**Basil 'Lemon'**: 60 days. Very bright green 2-1/2 inch long leaves with white blooms. Both attractive and intensely flavorful. 20 to 24 inch height. (annual)

**Borage**: 44-55 days. Large plant bears hundreds of small edible flowers in blue with some pink. Mild cucumber flavor for salads and garnishes. 18 inch height. (annual)

**French Sorrel**: 60 days. This perennial salad herb is a favorite of children. They have a sharp, sour lemony flavor making them delicious to eat right out of the garden. Young leaves are best. Can be eaten in salads or cooked gently for soups.

Purslane 'Goldberg Golden': 50 days. A cultivated variety of the purslane that grows wild in gardens. It has crisp and mild succulent leaves that grow larger than its wild relative. Purslane has the highest levels of Omega 3 fatty acids of any other plant. Use it as a salad green or sauté lightly. This variety is very heat tolerant. • . . . . • . . . • • .

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Cotton: 165-180 days. This is the same cotton used to make your tshirts and jeans. Some varieties have naturally colored fibers instead of white. Grow some of your own cotton

and amaze your friends. Pull fiber off seeds and plant indoors in a 4" pot by April 1. Transplant outdoors around May 12-15. Bolls ripen and burst open in late fall. Plants grow 5-6' tall and may need staking to prevent tipping over.

Mouse Melon: Annual Vine-8-10' long. Also called Mexican gherkins, mouse melons look like tiny watermelons but taste like miniature cucumbers. Fruits are ripe when 3/4" long. Just pop one in your mouth and enjoy a crispy crunch. Can be eaten raw or used to make pickles.



desired.

Peanuts 'Tennessee Red': 110 days. An early maturing peanut that is a good choice for shorter growing seasons. Mature peanuts are delicious freshly dug. Roast them for a delicious snack this winter. Peanuts are mature around Sept. 15 in our climate.

Toothache Plant: This unusual plant has interesting flowers that cause a numbing sensation in the mouth when chewed. The fresh leaves are edible and can be added to salads.

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Sensitive Plant: An ornamental plant that is a favor-

ite with kids. Touch the leaves and watch them go to

sleep. Leaves are very sensitive to any touch. Wa-

tering, wind and rain will also make them droop. In

Sweet Sorghum 'Rox Orange': 110 days. 8' tall.

Sweet sorghum is grown to make sorghum syrup.

and suck out the sweet sap.

Seeds can be popped like popcorn. In the fall cut canes

mid-summer there are soft pink flower puffs. Reseeds and volunteers freely for the next year. Start indoors if

Item	Green Card Member Price	Yellow Card Member Price	Non-Member Price	Quantity	Total
Berry Plants					
'Cavendish' strawberry	\$2.50 per bundle of 10	\$2.50 per bundle of 10	\$4.00 per bundle of 10		
'Eversweet' strawberry	\$4.00 per bundle of 10	\$4.00 per bundle of 10	\$5.00 per bundle of 10		
'Natchez' thornless blackberry	\$3.50 each	\$3.50 each	\$5.00 each		
'Heritage' fall-bearing raspberry	\$2.50 each	\$2.50 each	\$4.00 each		
Fruit Trees					
'Enterprise' apple	\$20.00 each	\$30.00 each	\$40.00 each		
'Liberty' apple	\$20.00 each	\$30.00 each	\$40.00 each	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
'Pristine' apple	\$20.00 each	\$30.00 each	\$40.00 each		
'Winecrisp' apple	\$20.00 each	\$30.00 each	\$40.00 each		
'Black Gold' sweet cherry	\$20.00 each	\$30.00 each	\$40.00 each		
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'Harrow Delight' pear	\$20.00 each	\$30.00 each	\$40.00 each		
'Potomac' pear	\$20.00 each	\$30.00 each	\$40.00 each		
'Sunrise' pear	\$20.00 each	\$30.00 each	\$40.00 each		
'Contender' peach	\$20.00 each	\$30.00 each	\$40.00 each		
'Harrow Diamond' peach	\$20.00 each	\$30.00 each	\$40.00 each		
Other					
'Jersey Knight' Asparagus	\$1.00 each	\$1.00 each	\$2.00 each		
GRAND TOTAL					

For KCCG Use Only:				
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## **KCCG Fruit Plant List -**2014

#### Ordering Information:

Fruit plants should arrive at our office the beginning of April.

We will contact you upon plant arrival. All plants are bare-rooted and should be picked up and planted quickly for good success. We recommend having your planting bed prepared and tree holes dug ahead of time in case of rainy weather.

Order your fruit trees soon because varieties sell out quickly.

#### **Berries:**

'Cavendish' Strawberry - June bearer 10 plants for \$2.50 - Member Price High yielding with large high quality berries. Plants are disease resistant and hardy.

#### 'Eversweet' Strawberry - Day Neutral

10 plants for \$4.00 - Member Price Large, intensely delicious berries. Heavy spring crop with intermittent berries through the season. This is the most heat resistant day neutral variety.

#### 'Natchez' Thornless Blackberry \$3.50 per plant - Member Price



Large berries have excellent flavor. Plants are upright, vigorous and hardy. The earliest blackberry!

'Heritage' Fall bearing Red Raspberry \$2.50 per plant - Member Price Starts bearing in August

and continues until frost. Very productive and hardy with good flavor and berry size. Easy to grow and easy to prune.

#### Fruit trees:

#### Apple:

'Pristine' Apple (needs a pollenizer) This PRI (Purdue, Rutgers, and Illinois Universities) selection ripens in late July, producing large crops of beautiful yellow apples that are crisp and tasty.

They are mildly tart and excellent for fresh eating, baking or in applesauce. The trees are healthy, highly resistant to apple scab, cedar apple rust and somewhat resistant to powdery mildew and fireblight. Semi-dwarf (M7 rootstock 12-15')



#### 'Liberty' Apple (needs pollenizer)

Liberty is very similar to appearance to McIntosh, but its flavor is a bit more tart and its flesh is crisper. It has a wonderful flavor all its own. It is a good dependable choice because it is highly productive, an excellent pollinizer, keeps well and is resistant to all the major apple diseases. It ripens early September which is about mid-way between Pristine and Enterprise. Semi-dwarf (G.202 root-

#### stock 12-15')

#### 'Enterprise' Apple (needs a pollenizer)

A glossy red apple with an excellent spritely flavor that improves with storage. The tree is productive, vigorous and spreading. Fruit ripens about October 10. It is an excellent keeper and is immune to scab and resistant to fire blight, cedar apple rust and mildew. Semi-dwarf (M7 rootstock 12-15')

#### 'Winecrisp' Apple (needs a pollenizer)

A PRI (Purdue, Rutgers, and Illinois Universities) selection that features excellent disease resistance to scab and fire blight. Ripens to a deep red in mid-October. Flavor is sweet, juicy and crisp. An excellent keeper, storing up to 8 months. Semidwarf (M7 rootstock 12-15')

#### Cherry:

'Black Gold' Cherry (no pollenizer needed) (On Krmysk5 rootstock 12-15')

Late blooming, disease resistant sweet cherry that has a better chance of missing spring frosts. This variety is self-pollinating and fruits are large, deep red and crack resistant. Ripens mid-June. Needs well-drained soil.



'Danube' Cherry (no pollenizer needed) (On Mazzard rootstock 10-15') A selection from Hungary, where delicious cherries have been grown for centuries.

has a wonderful sweet/tart unique flavor. It is a cross of the sweet and tart cherry. It is delicious eaten fresh or in baked goods. It is self fertile and productive and ripens in early July.

'Montmorency' Cherry (no pollenizer needed) (On Mazzard rootstock 12-15')

An old standard pie cherry (sour) variety with bright red skin on yellow fruit and clear juice. The Montmorency is upright, vigorous and a heavy producer. This cultivar is more productive than others and the fruit has a long ripening season (from late June to early July).

#### **Asian Pear:**

#### 'Chojuro' Asian Pear (needs a pollenizer) (OHx333 rootstock 10-12')

Round shape fruits, ripening to a russet orange in September. Flavor once fully ripe is incredibly sweet like butterscotch with a wonderful crisp texture. Medium storage life to 4 months.

#### 'Korean Giant' Asian Pear (needs a pollenizer) (Betufolia rootstock 15-18')

One of the largest Asian pears sometimes weighing 1lb per or more. Ripens to russet orange in mid-October. Long storage life to 6 months.

#### 'Seuri' Asian Pear (needs a pollenizer) (OHxF 97 rootstock 15-18')

Round fruits ripen to a russet-yellow. Flavor is sweet and floral. Ripens in late September, with a storage life of 1 month. Fire blight resistant.

#### 'Shinko' Asian Pear (needs a pollenizer) (OHxF 97 rootstock 15-18')

Round fruits ripen to a russet brown in late September. Fruits are sweet, juicy and crisp with a storage life of 3-4 months. Highly fire blight

resistant.



Pear: 'Harrow Delight' Pear (needs a pollenizer) (OHx333 rootstock

15') Excellent blight resitance. This highquality, early August

ripening, fresh-market variety produces medium fruit resembling Bartlett in appearance. Red blushed yellow skin covers a fruit with excellent flavor and smooth flesh.

#### 'Potomac' Pear (needs a pollenizer) (OHxF 87/97 rootstock 15-18')

A crisp sweet pear ripening to a light green in early September. Excellent fire blight resistance. Two month storage.

#### 'Sunrise' Pear (needs a pollenizer) (OHxF 87 12-15')

A fragrant, sweet, juicy pear ripening to a red blush in mid-August. Excellent fire blight resistance. Stores two months.

#### Peach:

#### 'Contender' Peach (self-pollenating) (Redleaf rootstock 15-20')

This hardy, late-blooming peach escapes late spring frosts. Beauti-

ful, large freestone fruit is firm, sweet and delicious. Good for fresh use, freezing or for pies. Ripens in mid-August

'Harrow Diamond' Peach (self-pollenating) (Redleaf rootstock 15-20')

This selection is the first peach to ripen in our area. Blooms are late enough to avoid frosts and are very cold tolerant. Skin blushes red, flesh is yellow and freestone. Resistant to bacterial spot. Ripens in early July

#### Other:

Asparagus 'Jersey Knight' This all male hybrid variety produces thick, tender, tasty spears. Highly tolerant to Fusarium, Crown and Root Rot. More tolerant of heavy clay soils than standard varieties.





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