



# The Seeder's Digest

## Annual Seed and Plant Edition - 2021

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## KANSAS CITY COMMUNITY GARDENS

KCCG is a membership organization. Annual membership fees are based on household income and range from \$2 to \$25. To sign up or renew, come to the KCCG office at 6917 Kensington, Kansas City, MO 64132 or complete an application online at [www.kccg.org](http://www.kccg.org).

### Important Dates for the 2021 Growing Season

**MARCH 1st** - Seeds Available

**MARCH 1st** - Onion Sets & Seed Potatoes Available (See page 4)

**MARCH 9th** (Last Day To Order) - Fruit Tree Orders Due  
(See page 10)

**MARCH 19th** - Onion Plants & Leek Plants Available (See page 4)

**MARCH 25th** (Green Card) - March 26th (All Cards)  
Spring Cool Season Plants Available  
Includes asparagus, berries, broccoli, brussels sprouts, cabbage, cauliflower, collards, kale and lettuce.

**MARCH 25th - APRIL 30th** - Place your sweet potato orders.

**APRIL 29th (Green Card) - April 30th (All Cards)**  
Tomato Day - Warm Season Plants and Seeds Available - Includes tomatoes, peppers, eggplants, tomatillos, ground cherries & herbs.

#### Spring Satellite Seed & Plant Distribution

Jersey Creek Community Garden  
11th St & Parallel PKWY, Kansas City, KS 66104  
(Heathwood Park)  
MARCH 29th - from 5 to 6:00 p.m.

**JUNE 1st**

The Leanna Flandermeyer Beanstalk Children's Garden opens for tours (See page 5).

**JULY 21st**

Fall Cool Season Plants available  
Includes broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, collards and kale

**AUGUST 10th thru SEPT 16th**  
Place Garlic Orders (See page 4)

**AUGUST 20th**

Fall Cool Season Lettuce Plants Available

**SEPTEMBER 11th**

The Gardens at Sunset - Annual Fundraiser for KCCG

**SEPTEMBER 18th**

Fall Family Festival - Beanstalk Children's Garden

#### Summer Satellite Seed & Plant Distribution

Jersey Creek Community Garden  
11th St & Parallel PKWY, Kansas City, KS 66104  
(Heathwood Park)  
MAY 3rd - from 5 to 6:00 p.m.

### Learn (More) About Gardening!

See the enclosed flyer for information about our FREE Gardening Workshops.

KCCG Hours are:

Monday - Friday, 9 am to 4 pm

Tuesdays - Open until 6:30pm (Mar 2nd - May 25th)

Open on Saturdays from 9am to 12pm. (Mar 27th - May 8th)

Call 816.931.3877

or go to [www.kccg.org](http://www.kccg.org) for more information.

**Kansas City Community Gardens** helps people grow vegetables and fruit from garden plots located in backyards, vacant lots, schoolyards and community sites. If you are not already familiar with us, please call us at 816.931.3877 or check out our website at [www.kccg.org](http://www.kccg.org). Here's what we do:

- KCCG assists **Individual and Family Gardens** with backyard tilling, tiller rental and low-cost gardening supplies. We're happy to answer your gardening questions and even visit your garden if you need additional technical assistance.
- KCCG has **Community Garden Rental Plots** at nine different KCCG-managed sites. Each offers ground plots and/or raised beds, water, shelters, and a portable toilet. Rental Plots are subject to availability.
- **Community Partner Gardens** include gardens organized and managed by neighborhoods, faith based organizations, community groups, and not-for-profits. Some gardens offer space for people to grow their own food and others grow food to share or donate.
- KCCG's **Schoolyard Gardens** program works with teachers, parents and community volunteers to involve students in growing their own vegetables on school grounds, teaching a valuable life-skill and increasing kids' interest in eating more vegetables.
- The **Giving Grove** assists non-profits, neighborhood groups and schools with planting and caring for fruit trees and berry bushes, in order to make fresh fruit affordable and accessible.
- The **Beanstalk Children's Garden** is an inspiring experience for field trips and families. Age-appropriate, guided tours are available to groups (reservations required). Self guided tours are also available. All visitors get to see a variety of plants, engage all of their senses, and learn more about nature and nutrition.

Seeds, plants and low-cost gardening resources are available to individual and group members. It's easy to join – just stop by our office in Swope Park or go to [kccg.org](http://kccg.org) to sign up. Memberships are \$2 (Green Card), \$12 (Yellow Card), or \$25 (Blue Card) based on income and include 10 packs of seeds, a bag of organic fertilizer, free gardening workshops, access to low-cost plants and other gardening supplies – and KCCG's dedicated staff to help you learn how to grow a successful garden.

## PLANTING CALENDAR

|                                 |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Arugula                         | 3/15 - 4/25   |
|                                 | 8/1 - 8/20    |
| Asparagus - perennial (plants)  | 4/1 - 4/20    |
| Bean, Bush                      | 4/15 - 5/20   |
|                                 | 7/25 - 8/10   |
| Bean, Lima                      | 5/5 - 5/25    |
| Bean, Pole                      | 5/1 - 5/20    |
| Beet                            | 3/15 - 4/15   |
|                                 | 8/1 - 8/10    |
| Broccoli (plants)               | 3/20 - 4/10   |
|                                 | 7/25 - 8/5    |
| Brussels Sprouts (plants)       | 3/20 - 4/10   |
| Cabbage (plants)                | 3/20 - 4/20   |
|                                 | 7/20 - 8/5    |
| Cantaloupe                      | 5/1 - 5/20    |
| Carrot                          | 3/15 - 4/5    |
|                                 | 7/20 - 8/5    |
| Cauliflower (plants)            | 3/20 - 4/20   |
|                                 | 7/20 - 8/5    |
| Collards (seeds or plants)      | 3/15 - 4/10   |
|                                 | 7/25 - 8/20   |
| Corn                            | 4/25 - 7/1    |
| Cucumber                        | 5/1 - 8/1     |
| Eggplant (plants)               | 5/1 - 5/25    |
| Ground Cherry (seeds or plants) | 5/1 - 5/25    |
| Garlic (bulbs)                  | 11/15 - 12/15 |
| Kale (seeds or plants)          | 3/20 - 4/5    |
|                                 | 7/25 - 8/20   |

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| Kohlrabi  | 3/25 - 4/15 |
|   | 7/25 - 8/5  |
| Lettuce, Head (seeds or plants)   | 3/15 - 4/20 |
|   | 8/1 - 8/20  |
| Lettuce, Leaf (seeds or plants)   | 3/15 - 5/10 |
|   | 8/1 - 8/20  |
| Mustard Greens  | 3/15 - 5/1  |
|   | 8/1 - 8/30  |
| Okra  | 5/1 - 5/25  |
| Onion, for Bulb (sets or plants)  | 3/15 - 4/15 |
| Onion, for Green Onion (sets)   | 3/1 - 9/15  |
| Peanut  | 4/25 - 5/10 |
| Pea, Green - Snap, Snow, English (short vine varieties for fall planting) | 3/15 - 4/10 |
|   | 8/1 - 8/10  |
| Pea, Southern   | 4/25 - 5/15 |
| Pepper (plants)   | 5/1 - 5/30  |
| Potato (seed potatoes)  | 3/15 - 4/10 |
| Pumpkin   | 5/1 - 6/10  |
| Radish  | 3/15 - 5/1  |
|   | 8/1 - 8/25  |
| Spinach   | 3/20 - 4/20 |
|   | 8/1 - 8/20  |
| Squash, Summer  | 4/25 - 8/1  |
| Squash, Winter  | 4/25 - 5/30 |
| Sweet Potato (plants)   | 5/10 - 6/10 |
| Swiss Chard   | 4/1 - 9/1   |
| Tatsoi  | 3/15 - 5/1  |
|   | 8/1 - 8/30  |
| Tomatillo (seeds or plants)   | 5/1 - 5/25  |

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| Tomato (plants)                      | 5/1 - 5/25  |
| Turnip                               | 3/20 - 5/1  |
|                                      | 7/20 - 8/15 |
| Watermelon                           | 5/1 - 5/20  |
| Herbs, Flowers and Miscellaneous     |             |
| Basil (seeds or plants)              | 5/1 - 5/20  |
| Chives (seeds or plants)             | 3/15 - 5/1  |
| Cilantro/Coriander (seeds or plants) | 3/20 - 4/15 |
|                                      | 8/15 - 9/15 |
| Dill (seeds or plants)               | 4/20 - 5/15 |
| French Sorrel (seeds or plants)      | 3/25 - 5/15 |
| Oregano (plants)                     | 4/20 - 5/31 |
| Parsley (seeds or plants)            | 3/20 - 4/20 |
| Rosemary (plants)                    | 3/20 - 5/15 |
| Sage (plants)                        | 3/15 - 5/1  |
| Savory (plants)                      | 4/15 - 5/30 |
| Thyme (plants)                       | 4/20 - 5/31 |
| Cosmos                               | 4/15 - 5/15 |
| Daisy (perennial)                    | 4/1 - 6/15  |
| Dames Rocket                         | 4/1 - 6/15  |
|                                      | 8/1 - 8/15  |
| Four O'Clocks                        | 4/15 - 5/15 |
| Marigold                             | 4/15 - 5/15 |
| Nasturtium                           | 4/15 - 5/15 |
| Sunflower                            | 4/15 - 5/15 |
| Zinnia                               | 4/15 - 5/15 |
| Gourds                               | 5/1 - 5/20  |
| Cotton                               | 5/1 - 5/20  |



## KCCG Ofrece Sus Servicios, Información, Y Talleres, En Espanol

Para solicitar dichos servicios en español, o el calendario de talleres en español, contacte Gabriel Racca Rachid, Bilingual Outreach Coordinator at 816.931.3877 EXT. 317 or [gabriel@kccg.org](mailto:gabriel@kccg.org)

# ..... Garden Supplies .....

In addition to seeds and plants, KCCG offers a variety of our recommended garden supplies at low cost. You must be a 2021 KCCG member to purchase. Garden supplies available while supplies last. For a full list of garden supplies, please visit [www.kccg.org/garden-supplies](http://www.kccg.org/garden-supplies). Here are some of our most popular items:

## Organic Fertilizer

Organic fertilizer in the form of pelletized chicken manure. Members receive 10 pounds and may purchase additional quantities. All quantities are self-serve.

### 10 lb. bag

Green Card Members - \$2  
Yellow Card Members - \$4  
Blue Card Members - \$4

### 5 gal. bucket (34lbs)

Green Card Members - \$5  
Yellow Card Members - \$10  
Blue Card Members - \$10

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

## Garden Tools

**Spading Fork** - Great for turning over raised beds. Can be used for digging potatoes, carrots, beets, turnips, & onions.

**All Purpose Garden Hoe** - Sharp on three sides, 60 inch ash handle, Great for weeding, loosening soil, cultivating between rows, bed preparation, and making furrows.

## Tomato Cages

Individual gardeners with a current KCCG membership can purchase up to 12 tomato cages (\$5 each for Green Card Members and \$7 each for Yellow & Blue Card Members).

Our tomato cages will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis while supplies last.

The tomato cages are sold flat with the zip-ties to hold them together. Cages may have sharp edges and rust.

A truck bed is the best way to transport them. Please be prepared to take cages with you at the time of purchase. We are not able to hold cages for anyone.

Check the link below for availability date: [www.kccg.org/garden-supplies](http://www.kccg.org/garden-supplies).

## Straw Bales

Straw makes a great, affordable mulch for your garden. Limit 6 bales for individual members.

Green Card Member Price = \$5.00/bale  
Yellow Card Member Price = \$6.00/bale  
Blue Card Member Price = \$6.00/bale

## Garden Tilling

Tillers are available for rent to all members. Green Card Members pay \$8, Yellow and Blue Card Members pay \$15 for a 4-hour rental. A \$50 deposit (cash or check only) is required at time of rental and will be returned to you when the tiller is returned to KCCG.

Please bring a truck, large SUV or van to pick up; our tillers do not fit in the trunks of cars.

**Call 816.931.3877 to reserve a tiller.**

Home garden tilling services are available for the KC Metro Area. Green Card Members only. Services are provided on a first-come, first-served basis, for fees ranging between \$8 and \$25, depending on the size of your garden.

**To sign up for home tilling, please bring proof of income to KCCG office.**

## Insect Control

KCCG offers affordable pest control products certified for organic use including Captain Jack's Dead Bug Brew, Neem Oil, and others.

Conventional pest control products are also available.

# ..... Rent A Plot .....

KCCG has nine community garden sites with ground plots and raised beds for rent:

- Ivanhoe/Richardson (36th and Park, KCMO)
- Eastwood Hills (8100 Ozark Rd, KCMO- East of I-435)
- Prospect (5008 Prospect, KCMO)
- Freeway Park (1402 Indiana, KCMO)
- Kauffman Legacy (4750 Troost Ave., KCMO)
- Jersey Creek (11th/Parallel PKWY, KCK.)
- Northrup Park (10th and Grandview Blvd., KCK)
- Research Medical Center(2316 E. Meyer, KCMO)
- Swope Park Community Garden (6917 Kensington, KCMO)

If you are interested in renting a plot or bed this season, contact us at 816.931.3877 or [angie@kccg.org](mailto:angie@kccg.org). Note that you must be a current KCCG member to rent a plot or bed. Space is limited. Popular sites fill quickly. If space isn't currently available at the garden of your choice, you may be added to a waiting list.

Visit [www.kccg.org/rent-a-plot](http://www.kccg.org/rent-a-plot) for more information on KCCG-managed community gardens.

# ..... Volunteer .....

KCCG's day-to-day tasks and long term successes are possible thanks to the amazing help of all our volunteers. You can also be a part of this gardening community. We have volunteer opportunities for individuals and groups. Projects range from seed packing and helping the front office, to garden constructions and more! You can learn more about volunteer opportunities and apply to become a KCCG volunteer at [www.kccg.org/volunteer](http://www.kccg.org/volunteer) or contact **Gabriel at [volunteer@kccg.org](mailto:volunteer@kccg.org)** for more information.



## KCCG Plants and Seeds

KCCG seeks to offer the best seed and plant varieties at the lowest possible price and during the time that it is best to plant them in our area. Our vegetable plants are grown in our on-site greenhouse. All the seeds and plants listed below will be on sale at our office on the given date, weather permitting. Most items are on sale for several weeks, while supplies last.

### Onion, Leeks, Potatoes, & Garlic

#### ONION, SETS

Available March 1st, \$1.00/lb.

Recommended for growing green onions  
Red, yellow and white

#### ONION PLANTS

Available March 19th

\$2.50/bundle of 60 plants

Recommended for growing large bulb onions

**Candy (yellow)** - 90 days - Successfully grown in any area. Unique, sweet and mild flavor, early maturity, jumbo bulb size. Stores 3 months. (hybrid)

**Candy Apple (red)** - 100 days - Sweet at harvest becomes more pungent during storage. Stores 4-6 months. (hybrid)

**Superstar (white)** - 100 days - Earlier, milder, sweeter, larger, and more widely adapted than other white onions. Easiest variety to grow for large onions. (hybrid)

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

#### LEEKS

Available March 19th

\$2.00 per bundle of 25 Plants

**Lancelot Leeks** - 75 days - White bottoms with blue/green upright top. Long 12 - 14" shafts, look great and have excellent flavor. Leeks are not day length sensitive if you keep blanching them (throwing dirt up the stem). Leeks are great for soups, salads and roasting.

#### SEED POTATOES

Available March 1st

\$2.50 for a 5 lb. bag or \$.50/lb

**Red Norland** - Early maturing potato with red skin and white flesh. Smaller in size and great for boiling and potato salad.

**Kennebec** - Medium to late maturing white potato with smooth tan skin. Medium sized potato stores well.

**Norkotah** - Russet potato with early to medium maturity. White flesh with tan skin.

**Yukon Gold** - Medium maturing potato with golden tan skin and yellow flesh.

**Purple Majesty** - Early maturing purple skinned potato with purple flesh. Smaller in size and slightly nutty flavor. Stores well.

#### SWEET POTATOES

Order from March 25th through April 30th

\$3.00/dozen - pay when you pick up

Order in the office or online at

[www.kccg.org/sweetpotatoes](http://www.kccg.org/sweetpotatoes)

**Beauregard Sweet Potato** - 90-100 days  
Developed at Louisiana State University in 1987, this variety may be the world's most popular sweet potato. Deep-orange flesh that keeps well in storage. It seems to have fewer problems with white grubs than some varieties and, also resists cracking. Make sure that plants get plenty of sun to develop the maximum flavor and sweetness. Resistant to fusarium wilt and soil rot.

#### GARLIC

Order August 10th - Sept. 16th

Garlic prices for this year have not been set, but average \$4/lb. for soft neck and \$9.50/lb. for hard neck varieties and prepay. Garlic can be ordered in our office or online on our website:

[www.kccg.org/garlic](http://www.kccg.org/garlic).

**California White Softneck** - Medium papery-skinned bulbs with numerous small-medium sized white cloves. These cloves are easy to peel and have excellent, spicy flavor similar to your standard grocery store varieties. Mostly grown in warmer regions, softneck varieties are not as cold-tolerant as the hardneck varieties. (90 - 100 cloves per lb.)

**German Hardneck** - A porcelain hardneck variety with a full, distinctive, spicy flavor that will stand out in any dish. Plump cloves are perfect for roasting and store well. Fewer cloves per bulb than softneck garlic. These cold-hardy plants produce a fibrous stalk that send up an edible flower scape in the spring. Harvest scapes when they appear to promote better bulb development. (30 - 40 plants per lb.)

**Music Hardneck** - A cold-hardy, spicy and incredibly flavorful garlic. Easy-to-peel cloves with white and purple striped outer skin and pink-tinged clove skins. There are approximately 20-30 cloves per lb. Fewer, but larger, cloves per bulb than the German Hardneck. The plants produce a fibrous stalk that send up an edible flower scape in the spring. Harvest scapes when they appear to promote better bulb development. (20 - 30 plants per lb.)

### Seeds

Available March 1st - Ten (10) packs included free with membership.

Additional packs available for \$.20 (Green Card), \$1.00 (Yellow Card), and \$1.50 (Blue Card).

Up to 20 additional packs available for purchase.

#### BEANS, BUSH

**Blue Lake** - 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.

**Cherokee Yellow Wax** - 51 days - Pale yellow pods on vigorous, hardy, 16-18" bushes.

**Kentucky Wonder** - 56 days - Bears a week earlier than pole variety. Long-bearing plants with stringless pods.

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

**Edamame (Vegetable Soybeans)** 85 days - These soybeans are harvested in the immature stage (green shell) when they are soft, green and sweet instead of letting them dry to hard brown seeds. Tall, upright, bush type plants, are heavy producers late in summer. Harvest pods when well filled but still green.

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

#### BEANS, LIMA

**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.

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

#### BEANS, POLE

**Asparagus Yard Long** - 80 days - Plants grow to 10' and produce an astonishing yield of slender, extremely tasty 2-3' long pods.

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

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

## BEETS

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

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

## 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. Salmon colored flesh. Fruit 2.5-3 lbs, uniform in size, slight oval shape.

## CARROTS

**Nantes** - 62-70 days - Small 10-12" tops with 6.5" x 1" bright red-orange 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 - Old standard, 36" spreading plants, large, cabbage-like blue-green, slightly crumpled leaves; heat and poor soil tolerant, slow to bolt.

## CORN

**Argent** - 85 days - 8.5" - 9" ears with 14-16 rows of fine white kernels, tender sweet creamy texture, with a superior package and husk protection. (hybrid)

**Bodacious** - 75 days - An extremely high quality yellow corn. Very sweet and tender. Plants are 87" tall with 8" long ears. (hybrid)

**Peaches & Cream** - 70 days - Matures early in the season, 8.5" long ears with petite, bi-colored kernels. (hybrid)

**Robust (popcorn)** - 110 days - Early maturing gourmet yellow popcorn. 7' tall plants with 1-2 ears per plant. (hybrid)

## CUCUMBER

**Marketmore 76** - 56 days - Long, slender, dark green slicing cucumbers on short, space-saving vines. Disease resistant.

**National Pickling** - 57 days - Fruit slightly tapered, about 6-7" long. Medium dark green color.

## GREENS (MISC.)

**Astro Arugula** - 38 days - Peppery flavored, cool-season, salad green. Early, heat tolerant, strap leaf variety. Mild flavor, best when picked young.

**Tatsoi** - 45 days - This small-leaved Asian green has a long harvest period and 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/loosehead type. Leaves are thick, crisp and tender. Tends to bolt earlier than our other lettuce varieties.

**KCCG 30th Anniversary Gourmet Blend** 30 - 60 days - This custom blend was specially chosen to celebrate KCCG's 30th Anniversary. It includes 11 great tasting premium lettuce varieties (Cimmaron, Red Salad Bowl, Salad Bowl, Oakleaf Royal, Red Sails, Buttercrunch, Tango, Ruby Red, Canasta, Four Seasons) with great diversity.

**Ruby Red** - 40 days - A red leaf lettuce that has bright red, glossy and crumpled 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-shaped, smooth leaves.

**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 are oblong, thick, fairly smooth, and dark green. Mustard-spinach flavor.

## OKRA

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

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

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

## PEAS, SOUTHERN (COWPEA)

**Blackeye** - 60-78 days - Vigorous, high yielding 24-40" tall plants with 7-9" pods. 10-12 seeds per pod. Wilt resistant, excellent as a shell bean, or as a dry bean.

**Brown Crowder** - 60 days - Extra large, straw colored, red-tinged 7-9" long pods. Very productive busy plants. Easy to pick and shell.

**Purple Hull** - 50-78 days - Strong, vigorous vines. Excellent for cooking green or freezing. White pea with small purple eye. Two crops in a season in this region.

## PEAS, GREEN

**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.

**Oregon Giant (snow pea)** - 69 days - High yields of sweet, extra-large, flat pods. Tolerant to powdery mildew, common wilt and enation mosaic.

**Super Sugar Snap (snap pea)** - 64 days - Plump 2-3" long, round, slightly curved, fleshy green pods. Tall vines need support. Resistant to powdery mildew; tolerant to pea leaf roll virus.

## Visit the Beanstalk

### Children's Garden!

Wander through the magical Beanstalk Children's Garden, full of fruit, vegetables, seeds and grains, curiosity plants, herbs, flowers and more!  
The garden will open for the 2021 season on June 1st and will be open through mid-October, depending on the weather. Hours are Monday-Friday from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., and on Summer Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon.

A wonderful field trip destination, schools, home-school groups, summer programs, and childcare groups participate in an age-appropriate guided tour incorporating all five senses, to learn about plants, nature and nutrition. Guided tours are only \$2 per person and allow children to investigate nature, gardening and nutrition with hands-on activities and tastings from the garden. **Guided tour dates fill up fast**, so register your group soon online at [www.kccg.org/beanstalk](http://www.kccg.org/beanstalk) or call 816.931.3877. There is no admission fee for self-guided tours of the garden for individuals and families, but we ask that you check in at the front office. The Beanstalk Garden is a *Passport to Adventure* site. For more info: [www.kcpassport.com](http://www.kcpassport.com)

## PUMPKINS

**Connecticut Field** - 110 days - Standard general purpose or large Halloween pumpkin. Hard, smooth, somewhat ribbed, deep orange pumpkin, weighing 15-25 lbs.

**Small Sugar** - 100 days - old favorite variety for pies. Fruits averaging 6-7 lbs. each. 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.

**White Icicle** - 30 days - A uniform short top strain which forms 4-5" long roots very quickly. Flesh is white, crisp, and mild.

## SPINACH

**Nobel Giant (OP)** - 30 days - Heirloom variety with large leaves that are glossy dark green and heavily savoyed. Sweet and tender with rich flavor. Slow to bolt.

**Space (F1)** - 25 days - Tried and true smooth leaf variety for spring, fall or overwintering. Early and high yielding plants are disease resistant and slow to bolt.

## SQUASH, SUMMER

**Black Beauty Zucchini** - 44 days - Bush type. Long, straight, slender fruit with slight ridges, black-green color. Flesh greenish white, with firm, fine delicate flavor. Pick when still tender, 6-8".

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

**Yellow Straightneck, Early Prolific** - 42-56 days. Fruit are uniform lemon yellow and straight. Best when picked at 4"-6".

## SQUASH, WINTER

**Buttercup** - 100 days - Turban shaped squash measuring 4.5" diameter and weighing 4-5 lbs. Rind is dark green. Thick orange flesh. Excellent flavor and keeps well.

**Spaghetti Squash** - 88 days - An early-maturing type with ivory-colored skin turning pale yellow at maturity. Fork out the baked or boiled spaghetti-like flesh as a substitute for pasta.

**Table Queen Acorn** - 85 days - Acorn shaped, ribbed, thin-shelled, dark green fruits. 5.5" length, 4.5" diameter. Flesh is light yellow, bakes dry and sweet.

**Waltham Butternut** - 105 days - Uniform fruits averaging 9" long and weighing 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.

## 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 ruby red stalks and veins.

## TURNIP

**Purple Top** - 60 days - Produces round, purple topped 4" roots and abundant greens for early summer harvest.

**Seven Top** - 45-50 days - Used only for greens as roots are tough and woody.

**White Egg Turnip** - 50 days - Beautiful white, 3-5" slightly oblong, medium sized roots. Very tender with sweet mild taste.

## WATERMELON

**Black Diamond** - 80 days - Early and productive with sweet red flesh. Large fruits average 30 lbs.

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

**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.



## Flower Seeds

**Cosmos** - Old fashioned favorite, sensation mix 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 3-5" single blooms of rich golden yellow or mahogany red. Requires full sun. Heat and drought resistant. Plant height 2-3'. Blooms from June to September.

**Daisy, Shasta** - Hardy perennial. White flowers with golden centers on single erect stems. Prefers full sun to partial shade in fertile soil. Plant height 2-3'. Blooms in June and July.

**Dames Rocket** - Hardy biennial. Lilac-purple flowers are concentrated at the end of 2-3' 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 1" white, red or yellow flowers that open in late afternoon.

**Giant Sunflower** - Large single 8-12" blooms are produced on 7' plants. Large edible seeds.

**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 2.5" across.

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



## Gourd Seeds

**Birdhouse Gourds** - 95 days - 12" long gourds with narrow necks and 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.



## Herb Seeds

**Basil** - An Italian large leaf sweet basil. High yielding plant with up to 4" long dark green leaves. Perfect for pesto.

**Cilantro/Coriander** - Aromatic, distinctively flavored annual herb. Prefers direct-seeding in a sunny location. Requires 7-10 days to germinate in cool soil. Slow to bolt, produces abundant cilantro foliage in a 14" plant. Allow seed pods to dry for use as coriander.

**Flat Leaf Parsley - 'Giant of Italy'** - Preferred culinary variety. Huge dark-green leaves with great flavor and strong upright stems.

**Dill** - Leaves are used to enhance flavor in salads, soups, omelets, and vegetable dishes. Plant reaches about 36".

**Beanstalk Seeds**



KCCG's specialty seeds are available online at [www.beanstalkseeds.com](http://www.beanstalkseeds.com).

This is an especially great seed source for families, schools and gardeners outside of the KC area, and for those who cannot make it to our office.

Proceeds from Beanstalk Seeds sales go directly to support the mission of KCCG.

# Plants

Spring Plants Available Starting March 25th (Green Card) - March 26th (All Cards)

Summer Plants Available Starting April 29th (Green Card) - April 30th (All Cards)

Fall Plants Available July 21st (All Cards) - Fall Cool Season Lettuce Available Aug. 20th (All Cards)

3-packs \$.50 (Green Card), \$1.00 (Yellow Card), and \$1.50 (Blue Card)

## BROCCOLI

**Arcadia (F1)** - 63 days - A rugged, vigorous broccoli with mid-late maturity. Big plants with heavy, very firm, dark green, domed heads with a unique "frosted" appearance. Tolerant of cold stress. Excellent side shoot production. (hybrid)

**Green Magic (F1)** 57 days - Early and heat resistant plants are compact and produce heads 5-6" in diameter. Great flavor and excellent side shoot production.

**Marathon (F1)** - 75 days - Large, blue-green heads are heavy with high, smooth, tight domes and very small, fine beads. Intermediate resistance to downy mildew.

## BRUSSELS SPROUTS

**Dagan (F1)** - 103 days - Dependable midseason variety. Tall, straight, erect plant with medium-large, smooth, and attractive sprouts. (hybrid)

## CABBAGE

**Bravo (F1)** - 85 days - Widely adapted mid-season cabbage with very large blue-green heads and excellent disease resistance. (hybrid)

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

**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, solid 2-4 lb. heads with good appearance and flavor. Relatively split resistant. (hybrid)

**Savoy Ace** - 73 days - Deep green color wrinkled leaves, tolerant to cold, tender and sweet. (hybrid)

**Stonehead** - 67 days - A very popular mid-season variety. Very solid heads average 4 lbs. More resistant to splitting. Yellow tolerant. (hybrid)

## CAULIFLOWER

**Snow Crown** - 50 days - Well rounded solid white heads average 2 lbs. a piece and measure up to 7.5" across with good depth. Plants are vigorous and very uniform in size. (hybrid)

## COLLARDS

**Georgia** - 70 days - The old standard. Large plants spread 36", cabbage-like blue-green, slightly crumpled leaves, heat and poor soil tolerant, slow to bolt.

**Top Bunch** - 50 days - Earliest to harvest. Tall productive plant produces medium green slightly blistered leaves. A Georgia-type hybrid with crinkled leaves.

## EGGPLANT

**Nadia** - 67 days - Uniform dark purple fruits with green calyx, glossy and blemish free. Tall sturdy plants can set under cool conditions.

**Orient Express** - 58 days - Attractive, slender 8-10", 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, prolific and early-producing. Glossy purple fruits are slender, 12-18" long and 1-2" wide. Potential yield of 20 fruits per plant, vigorous, disease and stress tolerant.

## KALE

**Nero Di Toscana** -50 days - Dark green 3" wide and 10" long leaves with a blistered surface. Excellent kale for fall production. Cross between cabbage and kale, more cold-hardy than other varieties. Best and sweetest flavor after a frost.

**Redbor** - 55 days - Similar to Winterbor but purple-red. Flavor, color, and curling are enhanced by cold weather. (hybrid)

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

## LETTUCE

**Buttercrunch** - 60 days - Boston/loosehead type. Leaves are thick, crisp and tender. Tends to bolt earlier than our other lettuce varieties.

**Canasta** - 58 days - French Crisphead/Batavian type. Crisp, full-flavored and exceptionally bolt resistant. Large, solid heads with ruffled green leaves tinged with red.

**Coastal Star** -- 57 days - Large, green romaine head lettuce with excellent heat tolerance.

**Red Butterhead** - 47 days - This adaptable variety has beautiful, large dark red heads with nicely contrasting green centers. Excellent flavor and texture.

## HOT PEPPERS

**Anaheim** - 68 days - Mildly hot, meaty, referred to as "chiles." Plants grow 30" tall and yield an abundance of 7-8" long chiles with a shiny green color or ripening to a mellow red color. An easy pepper to grow. (open pollinated)

**Ancho 101** - 80 days - Mildly pungent 'Ancho 101' plays a fundamental role in Mexican cuisine, appearing in traditional dishes such as rellenos, tamales, and red chili sauce. It's referred to as Poblano in its fresh form and Ancho when dried. Dried peppers can be ground to produce chili powder. Plants produce lots of 4-6" tapered, juicy fruits that ripen from green to red.

**Cayenne** - 75 days - Thin tapered fiery hot standard, 6" 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. Not recommended for gardens with children. (open pollinated)

**Jalapeño** - 70 days - Classic, medium hot pepper, small fruit can be used in almost any kind of cooking. Keeps well in a multitude of ways. (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

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

**Early Sunsatation** - 70 days - Big blocky bell peppers, 4" 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)

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

**Orange Sun** - 80 days - Beautiful deep orange bell pepper is 4-5" 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, fruit 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. (hybrid)

**Carmen** - 60 days green, 80 days red - Italian frying pepper with sweet taste for salads and roasting when fully red. Tapered fruits 6" long x 2" wide. Matures early on an upright, medium plant. (hybrid)

**Lunchbox** 55-63 days to green. 75-83 days to color - Mini-sized, colorful (red, orange or yellow) snack peppers are remarkably sweet and flavorful. Delicious sautéed and as a fresh addition to salads. Tall, strong plants that yield well.

## TOMATOES

*Note "Determinate" tomatoes set all their fruit at the same time and have more compact plants. "Indeterminate" tomatoes keep producing fruit throughout the season on larger plants with more vines.*

**Beefmaster** - 80 days - (VFNASt) One of the most popular hybrid beefsteak types, with improved disease resistance. Solid, meaty, bright red tomatoes weigh up to 2 lbs. Better yields larger fruits and good tolerance to cracking and splitting. (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" in diameter and are fairly round. Fruit sets at all the same time. An excellent home garden variety. (determinate) (hybrid)

**Goliath** - 65 days - (VFFNTAst) Smooth, bright red, deep oblate fruits averaging 10-15 oz. 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 oz. or more. Flavor is outstanding, mild and sweet, yet tangy. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

**Plum Regal (F1)** - 75 days - (VFLb) Determinate Roma type paste tomato. High yields of 4 oz. deep red fruits with good flavor.

**San Marzano 2 (OP)** - 85 days - (VF) This improved version of the famous San Marzano paste tomato incorporates disease resistance with the classic San Marzano flavor. Tall plants produce 5-6 oz. fruits that are excellent for sauce or fresh use. (indeterminate)

**Whopper** - 70 days - (VFFNT) Large fruits are born early and over a long season. Good disease and crack resistance. Good flavor and texture. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

## HEIRLOOM TOMATOES

**Brandywine** - 78 days - An old Amish variety 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) (open pollinated)

**Cherokee Purple** - 72 days - 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. (indeterminate) (open pollinated)

## CHERRY TOMATOES

**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 flavored tomatoes on high-yielding plants. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

**Super Sweet 100** - 70 days - (VF) Plants produce long strands of 100 or more super-sweet cherry tomatoes, measuring 1" in diameter. Extra-high in vitamin C. (indeterminate) (hybrid)

**Sweet Chelsea** - 67 days - (VFFNTA) Cherry tomato with large 2" 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, sauces, and wonderful fresh.

**Tomatillo - Toma Verde** - 60 days - Early-maturing large, flat-round green fruits. Great for salsa and other Latin American recipes. (indeterminant)



## Herb Plants

Sold individually  
\$.50 (Green Card)  
\$1.00 (Yellow Card)  
\$1.50 (Blue Card)

**Basil (A)**  
**Chives (P)**  
**Flat Leaf Parsley (B)**  
**French Sorrel (P)**  
**Garlic Chives (P)**  
**Oregano (P)**  
**Rosemary (A)**  
**Sage (P)**  
**Summer Savory (A)**  
**Thyme (P)**

(P) = Perennial  
(A) = Annual  
(B) = Bi-Annual

## BEANSTALK SPECIALTY SEEDS

*These specialty seeds are the same varieties of many of the special plants that we grow in the Beanstalk Children's Garden. Specialty seeds per pack \$1.00 (Green Card) \$1.50 (Yellow Card) \$2.00 (Blue Card) \$2.50 (non-members). They **cannot** be counted in the 10 free seed packs you receive with your KCCG membership.*

## VEGETABLES

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

**Bean, Yardlong 'Red Noodle'** - 85 days  
Beans grow 16-20" long and are 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'** - 40 - 70 days  
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.

**Carrot 'Rainbow Blend'** - 60 days - Mix of purple, yellow, white, red and orange carrots in a beautiful blend.

**Collard 'Top Bunch'** - 50 days - Earliest to harvest. Tall productive plant produces medium green slightly blistered leaves. A Georgia-type hybrid with crinkled leaves.

**Cucumber 'County Fair'** - 52 days - An early cucumber with a high yield of 3-4" long fruit 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. Resistant to bacterial wilt carried by cucumber beetles.

**Cucumber 'Diva'** - 58 days - This cucumber has smooth thin skin and a tender bitter-free taste. Plants produce all female flowers and do not need another variety for pollination, perfect for growing under row cover to exclude insects. 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" long that are sweet flavored and bitter free. Vines are widely adapted, grow well in hot weather and set fruit early.

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

**Gourd 'Luffa'** - 90 days - This is the plant that makes luffa sponges. Fruits can be eaten when they are 2-6" long and are called "Chinese okra". Or, grow to full size, dry the gourds, shake out the seeds and soak to clean for great bath sponges.



## FLOWERS

**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, sauces, and wonderful fresh.

**Kale 'Scarlet'** - 55 days - Broad, frilly, purple leaves on 2' to 3' tall upright stalks. (open-pollinated)

**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. Sweet and crisp tasting, holds well into summer heat.

**Malabar Spinach (Red)** - 85 days - 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 - 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 'Kakai'** - 100 days - Eye-catching, medium-small, avg. 5-8 lb., black-striped pumpkins. After displaying the pumpkins next fall, you can scoop out the large, dark green, completely hull-less seeds, which are absolutely delicious roasted. Semi-bush, short-vine plants. Average yield 2-3 fruits per plant.

**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 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. Can be planted in late July for a fall 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 'Toma Verde'** - 60 days - Early green tomatillo. Early maturing, large, flat-round green fruits. Used in salsa or Mexican cooking.

**Tomato 'Sun Gold Cherry'** - 57 days  
Tangerine-orange, sweet, intense fruity flavored tomatoes on high-yielding plants. (indeterminate) (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.

**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.

**Hyacinth Bean 'Ruby Moon'** - This vigorous-growing tropical vine has purple flowers, beans and leaves. The flowers are the best tasting part of this plant, as they have a nice crunchy, beany flavor but the pods are not especially good tasting and the dry seeds are toxic. 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 'Safari' Mix** - Beautiful blend of yellow, orange and scarlett colors. Sturdy, semi-dwarf plant (6" to 16") with large double-bloom flowers 1" to 2" across. Start indoors 6-8 weeks before last frost, around March 20-30.

**Moonflower, White** - 5" blooms 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 semi-double 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. Excellent for cut flowers and bouquets. Multi-branched plants are 5-6' tall.

**Sunflower 'Giant Grey Stripe'** - Produces huge heads up to 20" across that are filled with large, thin-shelled, very plump seeds that are high in protein. Plants are 8 to 12' 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 'Mrs. Burns Lemon'** - 60 days  
Very bright green 2.5" long leaves with white blooms. Both attractive and intensely flavorful. 20 to 24" 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" height. (annual)

**Dill 'Bouquet'** - 40-55 days to leaf, 80-100 days to seed - Good seed and leaf yields. 38" to 42" height. More compact than regular dill.

**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 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. Heat tolerant.



## JUST FOR EXTRA FUN

**Cotton** - 165-180 days - This is the same cotton used to make your t-shirts 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 1st. Transplant outdoors around May 12-15. Bolls ripen and burst open in late fall. Plants grow 5-6' tall and may need staking.

**Mouse Melon** - Annual vine that reaches 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.

**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.

**Sensitive Plant** - An ornamental plant that is a favorite with kids. Touch the leaves and watch them go to sleep. Leaves are very sensitive to any touch. Watering, wind and rain will also make them droop. In mid-summer there are soft pink flower puffs. Reseeds and volunteers freely for the next year. Start indoors if desired.

**Sweet Sorghum 'Sugar Drip'** - 102 days  
8' tall. Sweet sorghum is grown to make sorghum syrup. Seeds can be popped like popcorn. In the fall cut canes and suck out the sweet sap.

# 2021 FRUIT PLANT DESCRIPTIONS & ORDERING INFORMATION

Berry Plant and Fruit Tree Order Forms are due by March 9th, 2021

## ORDERING INFORMATION:

- To order fruit trees you must complete a Tree Order Form or visit [www.kccg.org/fruitorders](http://www.kccg.org/fruitorders) to order online.
- All fruit orders must be paid at the time the order is submitted. You may also come into our office and pay via cash, check or credit card. No phone orders and no mail in orders.
- Order your fruit plants soon as varieties sell out quickly. In order to ensure equitable sales a limit of 6 trees total can be ordered, with no more than 2 of one variety.
- We expect fruit trees to be available in early April, you will be informed via e-mail when your order is ready.
- All fruit plants need to be planted as soon as possible to get acclimated to your site. Fruit trees need to be stored in very cool temperatures so do not pick up until you are ready to plant.
- All plants are bare-root, 4-6' tall, ranging from 3/8-3/4" caliper.
- If you are a Community Partner Garden, Schoolyard Garden, or Giving Grove, please contact program if you wish to place an order.
- **Order Deadline** - Fruit Tree Order Forms are due by: March 9, 2021. Berries & Asparagus - no pre-orders. Purchase in office beginning March 25th.

*Warranty: If your trees or berries do not break dormancy or die shortly after breaking dormancy (prior to July 1st), through no fault of your own\* we will replace it free of charge. Note: You must notify us prior to July 1st via phone, e-mail or at our office. Photos of plant or dead plant must be accompanied with notification. \*This warranty does not include over-watering, under-watering, mechanical damage, animal damage, or herbicide damage. Warranty is void if tree(s) are picked up after May 2nd.*

## BERRIES & ASPARAGUS

**'Eversweet' Strawberry** - Day Neutral (Everbearing) - Large, intensely delicious berries. Heavy spring crop with smaller crops in July and September. This is the most heat-resistant day neutral variety. Sold in bundles of 10, limit 10 bundles.

**'Cavendish' Strawberry** - June bearer - Cavendish produces high yields of large, firm, bright red berries with outstanding flavor. June bearing. Plants are disease resistant and hardy. Actually ripens in mid May. Sold in bundles of 10, limit 10 bundles.

**'Natchez' Thornless Blackberry** - Large berries have excellent flavor. Plants are upright, vigorous and hardy. The earliest blackberry! Ripens in mid June to early July Needs well-drained soil! Limit 10 Plants.

**'Caroline' Fall Bearing Red Raspberry** - 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. Needs well-drained soil! Limit 10 Plants.

**'Jersey Knight' Asparagus** - A male variety that is adaptable to most garden sites. Productive once established. Sold in Bundles of 5, limit 5 bundles.

## FRUIT TREES APPLE

*Listed in order of ripening. Trees need another variety (pollinizer) to ensure pollination.*

**'Liberty' Apple** (early-mid season flowering) On M7 semi-dwarf rootstock 12-15' - 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.

**'Enterprise' Apple** (mid to late season flowering) - On G.202 semi-dwarf rootstock 10-13', - 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.

**'Sundance' Apple** (mid season flowering) On G.202 semi-dwarf rootstock 10-13' - A pale yellow apple with a pink blush and a juicy, sweet sub-acid flavor. Fruit ripens in mid-October. Immune to apple scab and highly resistant to fire-blight and cedar apple rust with moderate resistance to powdery mildew. Offered on a dwarf rootstock ideal for smaller areas.

## ASIAN PEAR

*Listed in order of ripening. Trees need another variety of Asian or European pear (pollinizer) to ensure pollination.*

**'Chojuro' Asian Pear** - On Calleryana rootstock 15-18' - Fruits ripen to a russet-orange color in mid-August. Flavors of caramel and butterscotch intensify throughout the ripening time. Well thinned fruits will be 5-10 ounces. Tree has good resistance to fire-blight in our area.

**'Yoinashi' Asian Pear** - On Betulifolia rootstock 15-18' - 'Yoinashi' is said to mean 'Good Pear' in Japanese. This round brown skinned fruit is crisp, juicy and aromatic. It sets a heavy crop of small to medium 5-10 oz fruits in mid to late August. Good fire-blight resistance.

**'Korean Giant' Asian Pear** - On Betulifolia rootstock 15-18' - Fruit is medium to large (12-16oz.) with a brown to golden brown russet color. Flesh is yellowish white with a good juicy, sweet flavor. Ripens in late September. Stores 3 to 4 months.

## EUROPEAN PEAR

*Listed in order of ripening. Trees need another variety (pollinizer) to ensure pollination unless noted.*

**'Sunrise' Pear** - Available on OHxF87 Rootstock 12-15' - Beautiful glossy yellow with light red blush fruits ripen in early to mid August. Tree is very resistant to fire-blight. Fruits store 3-4 months in cold storage

**'Warren' Pear** - Available on OHxF333 rootstock 12-15' - Large light green fruits ripen in late August to early September. Tree is self-fertile, and growth habit is very uniform.

**'Harrow Sweet' Pear** (partially self-fertile) OHxF 97 Rootstock 15-18' - Blight-resistant release from Agriculture Canada. Ripens in early September, with 2-3 month storage. Excellent flavor; sweet and juicy. Precocious and productive; usually requires heavy thinning.

## PEACH

*Listed in order of ripening. All peaches are self-fertile.*

**'Harrow Diamond' Peach** - Lovell Rootstock 15-20' - Very early yellow flesh peach ripening from mid June to early July. Blossoms are very frost tolerant. Firm and semi-freestone fruits are small to medium sized at 4-7 ounces Bacterial spot resistant.

**'Contender' Peach** - Bailey Rootstock 15-20' This hardy, late-blooming peach escapes late spring frosts. Beautiful, large freestone fruit is firm, sweet and delicious. Good for fresh use, freezing or for pies. Good resistance to bacterial spot. Ripens in late July.

**'Redhaven' Peach** - Citation Rootstock 10-15' - This is the standard for Missouri peaches. The fruits ripen around July 20th and are yellow fleshed and freestone. Good resistance to Peach Leaf Curl.

## JUJUBE

*Also known as Chinese Dates, Jujubes are low maintenance and high in vitamin C. Harvest by shaking from the tree. Need both varieties below to ensure pollination.*

**'Lang' Jujube** (needs pollinizer) 20-25' tall, 12-15' wide - The 1" long pear-shaped fruit ripens to a mahogany color in early-mid September. Fruits are crisp like an apple and sweet like sugar. Good for dehydrating or fresh eating.

**'Li' Jujube** (needs pollinizer) 15-20' tall, 15-20' wide - This is a large fruited jujube that grows in our area. The fruits are 2" round and are ripe in the light green to mottled mahogany, or full mahogany color in mid September-early October.

## CHERRY

**'Montmorency'** (Self-fertile) On Mahaleb rootstock. (10-12'). An old standard pie cherry (tart) 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 throughout June. Needs well drained area.

## The Giving Grove

Interested in growing fruits, berries or nuts in your neighborhood? Our Giving Grove program would love to assist you in site selection, planting planning, and hands-on trainings to equip you to manage your community orchard.

The Giving Grove work with you and your neighbors in planting these same fruit tree varieties and more to provide free, healthy fruit for your community or organization.

Please email [maryjane@kccg.org](mailto:maryjane@kccg.org) or call 816-931-3877 ext 303 for more information or visit our webpage at: [www.kccg.org/giving-grove](http://www.kccg.org/giving-grove).

## Community Partner Gardens

Interested in starting a community garden? The Community Partner Gardens (CPG) team collaborates with community groups, neighborhoods, non-profits, faith-based groups, and other agencies to establish and develop food-producing community gardens.

Partner gardens receive free technical assistance, site planning, construction support, and access to low-cost plants, seeds and tilling services.

Contact the CPG program at [cpg@kccg.org](mailto:cpg@kccg.org) or 816-931-3877 option #4 to learn more!



## Happy Hour in the Garden

KCCG will host two happy hours in the Beanstalk Garden at our headquarters in Swope Park (6917 Kensington / Kansas City, MO 64132). See dates below and for more details, check the happy hour page on our website: [www.kccg.org/happy-hour-2021](http://www.kccg.org/happy-hour-2021).

May 28th @ 5:30-8:00pm • June 25th @ 5:30-8:00pm

## The Gardens at Sunset Annual KCCG Fundraiser

**SEPTEMBER 11th**

Great food, unique auction items and more, all in KCCG's beautiful Beanstalk Garden! See website for more information.

## Fall Family Festival

**SEPTEMBER 18th**

Free fun for the whole family; activities, exhibits and more in the Beanstalk Children's Garden! See website for more information.

## Adopt A Garden & give the gift of fresh, delicious food!



In 2021, your gifts to KCCG will empower more than 37,000 households across Kansas City to participate in growing their own fruits and vegetables – putting healthy, fresh foods within their reach. Together, we'll inspire children to make healthy choices, grow fresh produce for local food pantries, help seniors stretch their grocery budgets and more!

We invite you to join us in our mission with a gift to our 28th annual "Adopt-A-Garden" campaign. When you adopt a KCCG garden, you help provide seeds, plants, fertilizer, garden tilling and access to water for a community, school or home garden. You also help us to provide free community workshops and expert advice, making sure our gardeners have the tools and knowledge they need to succeed.

To make a gift, please fill out the form to the right and mail it with your contribution to:

KCCG, 6917 Kensington Avenue, Kansas City, MO 64132

For more information on KCCG's programs or to make a gift online, visit [www.kccg.org](http://www.kccg.org).

Questions? Contact us at (816) 912-3699.

Thank you for your generosity. With your help, we can make a real & lasting difference in the health and well-being of our neighbors.

*Kansas City Community Gardens is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization; EIN 43-1356677. Gifts to KCCG are tax-deductible as allowed by IRS regulations.*



Yes! I want to Adopt A Garden!

My gift will help KCCG live out its mission to empower and inspire low-income households, community groups and schools in the Kansas City metro to grow their own vegetables and fruit.

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- Schoolyard Garden
- Youth Garden
- Backyard Garden
- Giving Grove Orchard
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## Do you want to garden? We can help!

Kansas City Community Gardens offers low-cost plants & seeds, free workshops, and expert advice.

Join today and get everything you need to grow your own, healthy food!

KCCG assists home gardeners with backyard tilling, tiller rental, and low-cost gardening supplies. We're happy to answer all of your gardening questions and even visit your garden if you need additional technical assistance.

KCCG has three annual membership levels, based on income Green Card memberships are \$2; Yellow Card memberships are \$12; Blue Card memberships are \$25.

Your 2021 KCCG Membership includes:

- Your choice of 10 seed packets,
  - A 10 pound bag of organic fertilizer,
  - Low cost starter plants, including vegetables and herbs, as well as fruit trees and berry bushes,
  - Low cost on garden tiller rentals (and tilling services for qualified members), and
  - Additional seed packets and garden supplies such as straw, tools and fertilizer, all offered at a low cost.
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## Come Grow With Us!

KCCG is located in Swope Park at  
6917 Kensington / Kansas City, Mo. 64132

We're open Mon. - Fri. from 9 am to 4 pm

Tuesdays - Open until 6:30pm  
(March 2nd - May 25th)

Spring Saturday mornings - 9 am to 12pm  
(March 27th - May 8th)

Call 816.931.3877  
or go to [www.kccg.org](http://www.kccg.org)  
to learn more.

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y obtenga todo lo necesario para cultivar su  
propia comida saludable!

Contacto Gabriel Racca Coordinador de  
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