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Growing Winter Squash



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KCCG's Varieties

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.

Delicata - 105 days - This is a very fine heirloom variety of winter squash with cream colored oval shaped fruit with longitudinal stripes. Fruits are 7-9 inches long and 3-4 inches wide. The light orange flesh is fine textured and very delicious. Fruits last approximately 3 months in storage.

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 - 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.

Planting:

Plant 4/25-5/30

Build 6-7" tall mounds that are 8-10" in diameter at the base. In a 4'x12' raised bed winter squash should be 2 mounds across, 7-8 mounds down.

Place 3-4 seeds in each mound.

Cover lightly with soil.

Care:

Seeds: Water regularly with a gentle spray. Keep the soil moist so that the seeds will germinate. Thin to 2 seeds per mound.

Young seedlings: Water when top 1" of soil dries out. Mulch plants with cotton burr compost or straw to keep soil moist.

Harvest & Storage:

Squash will grow from bright yellow blossoms. Winter squashes should be harvested when the squash is a solid color and the shell of the squash feels hard. Harvest the squash by cutting it off at the stem, 2" above the fruit.

Nutritional Facts:

Squash provides a good amount of Vitamin A and C. Squash helps maintain strong bones. Squash provides a large amount of fiber and carbohydrates.