

# **The Seeder's Digest**

# Annual Seed and Plant Edition - 2025

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# **KANSAS CITY COMMUNITY GARDENS**

Kansas City Community Gardens empowers low-income households, schools and community groups to grow their own vegetables and fruit. We're here to provide affordable resources and share knowledge so that anyone who is willing to roll up their sleeves and dig in the dirt can be a successful gardener! We offer a membership program for home gardeners. Members receive access to low-cost seeds, plants, supplies and services. Annual membership fees range from \$2 to \$45, based on household size and income. See page 2 for more details. Interested in starting a school or community garden or orchard? KCCG is here to help you! See page 2 for more information on the programs we offer for community sites.

# **Important Dates for the 2025 Growing Season**

FEBRUARY 3 - MARCH 7 - Place Fruit Tree Orders

MARCH 3 - Seeds Available

MARCH 3 - Onion Sets & Seed Potatoes Available

MARCH 17 - Onion, Leek, and Shallot Plants Available

#### MARCH 20 (Green & Yellow Cards) MARCH 21 (All Cards)

Spring Cool Season Plants Available Includes asparagus, berries, broccoli, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, cauliflower, collards, kale, lettuce, & herbs

MARCH 25 - APRIL 26 - Place Sweet Potato Orders

### APRIL 24 (Green & Yellow Cards) APRIL 25 (All Cards)

Tomato Day - Warm Season Plants and Seeds Available Includes tomatoes, peppers, eggplants, tomatillos, ground cherries & herbs

### JULY 31

Fall Cool Season Plants available Includes broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, collards and kale **AUGUST 11 through SEPTEMBER 12** Place Garlic Orders

**AUGUST 28** Cool Season Lettuce Plants Available

**SEPTEMBER 6** Gardens at Sunset - Annual Fundraiser for KCCG

**SEPTEMBER 20** Fall Family Festival - Beanstalk Children's Garden

# **KCK Satellite Seed & Plant Sales**

### Spring Satellite Seed & Plant Sale

Jersey Creek Community Garden 11th St & Parallel Pkwy, Kansas City, KS 66104 (Heathwood Park) MARCH 24 - from 5 to 6 pm

### Summer Satellite Seed & Plant Sale

Jersey Creek Community Garden 11th St & Parallel Pkwy, Kansas City, KS 66104 (Heathwood Park) APRIL 28 - from 5 to 6 pm

# Learn (More) About Gardening!

See page 4 for information about our FREE Gardening Workshops.

# **KCCG's Membership Referral Program**

Do you have a friend or neighbor who has expressed an interest in gardening? Send them our way! If they sign up to be a KCCG member, you'll earn free garden gifts!

#### Here's how it works:

- Successfully refer ONE member and earn 5 free seed packs.
- Successfully refer TWO members and earn a free 3-pack of veggie transplants.
- Successfully refer THREE members and earn a free KCCG t-shirt.

# **KCCG Regular Hours:**

Monday: 10am - 5pm Tuesday - Friday: 9 am - 5 pm

# **Extended Garden Season Hours:**

Open Thursdays until 6:00pm (March 27 - May 22 )

Saturdays from 9am to 12pm (March 22 - May 10)

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At KCCG, we believe everyone should be able to enjoy fresh, healthy foods. To accomplish that vision, we're proud to support a network of home and community garden and orchard sites throughout Kansas City. We offer low-cost seeds, plants and supplies, tilling services, technical assistance, educational resources and more. Whatever your gardening goal - we can help!

Last year, more than 48,000 households harvested food from a KCCG-supported garden or orchard. Put another way, KCCG's support reaches 1 in every 19 households in the KC metro. That's a lot of gardens!

- 3,332 home gardens
- 327 Community Partner Gardens
- 241 School Gardens
- 261 Community Orchards

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**Individual & Family Gardens**: Are you growing a garden at home, or renting a plot in a community garden? Sign up for a membership with KCCG and gain access to low-cost pricing on seeds, plants and garden supplies. We offer four levels of memberships, based on household income and size:

- Green Card memberships are \$2
- Yellow Card memberships are \$15
- Orange Card memberships are \$30
- Blue Card membership are \$45

Memberships are purchased on an annual basis and are good from October 1 to September 30. With your membership, you'll receive 10 packs of seeds and a 10-pound bag of fertilizer. You'll also gain access to member-level pricing on additional seed packs, vegetable transplants, fruit trees and berry plants, gardening tools and supplies, rental plots at KCCG gardens, tilling services, free educational resources, technical consultations and more.

To enroll, visit KCCG's Swope Park Headquarters or sign up online at **www.kccg.org/become-a-member**.

**Rent A Plot Gardens**: Are you ready to garden but don't have space to grow at home? KCCG manages 8 large community garden sites that provide a perfect solution for gardeners who live in apartments or have shady backyards. We offer 4'x12' raised beds and 20'x 25' ground plots, depending on location. KCCG has nine community garden sites with ground plots and/or raised beds for rent:

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

You must have a current KCCG membership to rent a bed. Raised beds are \$8 for Green Card members and \$20 for Yellow and Orange Cards and \$25 for Blue Card members. Ground plots are \$10 for Green Card members and \$25 for Yellow and Orange Card members and \$30 Blue Card members. To inquire about availability, contact joe@kccg.org or call 816.931.3877, Ext. 325. Please note that garden sites fill quickly and your name may be added to a waiting list.

**Community Partner Gardens**: Are you interested in starting a community garden in your neighborhood? Are you an existing garden that could use a little extra help? KCCG works with community groups, non-profit organizations, communities of faith, health facilities, housing complexes, youth agencies and more to build and sustain food-producing gardens. Our team can guide you through choosing a site, constructing your garden and engaging community members to share in the work. Once you're up and running, we can provide you with low-cost seeds, plants and supplies, tilling services and assistance with troubleshooting challenges as they arise.

Contact the Community Partner Garden team at cpg@kccg.org or 816.931.3877, Ext. 304 to learn more.

**Giving Grove Neighborhood Orchards**: Are you interested in starting a community orchard? Our Giving Grove team works with schools, non-profits and neighborhoods around the metro to install and sustain urban community orchards. We'll walk with you through site selection, choosing tree and plant varieties and help you plant your orchard. We also offer hands-on training and continued technical support to help ensure that your orchard will be a source of food in your neighborhood for years to come.

Contact givinggrove@kccg.org or 816.931.3877, Ext. 303 for more information.

**Schoolyard Gardens:** Kids who learn to grow veggies learn to love veggies! KCCG's Schoolyard Gardens team supports schools in establishing and sustaining learning gardens, where kids from pre-school to high school are encouraged to dig in and get their hands dirty. Teachers gain access to a library of lessons plans and educational resources that help them engage kids in all parts of the growing cycle - from planting planning to harvest parties. Our team offers training workshops for teachers, onsite garden check-ins and low-cost resources - all schools need to successfully inspire their kids to grow and love healthy foods!

Interested in starting a school garden? Email syg@kccg.org or call 816.931.3877, Ext. 314 to learn more.



The Leanna Flandermeyer Beanstalk Children's Garden, located at KCCG's Swope Park Headquarters, is a unique urban learning environment where children are invited to see, smell, touch and taste growing plants. As kids make their way through the garden, they'll learn how their food is grown, discover new healthy favorites and leave inspired to make healthy choices.



KCCG offers guided group tours for \$4/person. Scholarships may be available upon request. Please schedule group tours in advance by emailing us at **tours@kccg.org** or calling **816.931.3877, Ext. 320**. Families may visit the garden for self-guided tours any time we are open and without scheduling in advance. Self-guided tours are free (donations accepted).

# The Seven Gardens of the Beanstalk



## **Vegetable Garden**

The Vegetable Garden is filled with a rainbow of colorful plants that are jam-packed with nutrients. Stop here to see familiar favorites and discover new and unusual veggie varieties.



### Seed & Grain Garden

Seeds and grains make up a significant portion of our diet. Learn about the plants that go into many of your favorite foods as your way through the Seed & Grain Garden.



### **Insectary Garden**

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The insectary garden features different species of native plants that attract, feed, and shelter beneficial insects that help with pollinization and pest control for fruits and vegetables.



### **Fruit Orchard**

From sweet to tangy and crisp to juicy, the Fruit Orchard is filled with fruit trees, nuts, berries, and brambles that will excite and delight your taste buds.



Herb Garden

The Herb Garden is a feast for your eyes and nose alike. Here, you'll discover plants that are used for a wide variety of purposes – from cooking to fragrances and even medicine.



### **Curiosity Garden**

You'll need all of your senses for a visit to the Curiosity Garden. Touch, smell, taste and see your way through this garden of fun and unusual plants.



### Water Garden

Step into an urban oasis with a visit to the Water Garden. This inviting garden is home to animals, like fish and toads, and water plants, like papyrus, water lilies, and cattails.



# Saturdays are Scout Days in the Beanstalk Garden!



KCCG offers Girl Scout badge workshops. Admission is \$18 per scout, adult chaperones attend free of charge. Scholarships may be available upon request. For more information including dates and times of workshops, visit:

www.kccg.org/scout-badge-schedule

To register for workshops, email tours@kccg.org or call 816-931-3877 (ext. 320).

# Not Just For Kids!

Don't let its name fool you - the Beanstalk is a fascinating space for people of all ages, not just children. You'll find many of the seed and plant varieties that KCCG offers to gardeners growing in the Beanstalk, including fun and colorful varieties from our Beanstalk Seeds line. The next time you're at the KCCG office, plan a little extra time to take a tour and see what's growing here!

# Hours

The Beanstalk Children's Garden is open June 3 to mid October for guided tours. Free walk-in visitors are welcome anytime during KCCG office hours.

# **Fall Family Festival**

On September 20, join us in the Beanstalk for the Fall Family Festival! This is event is free fun for the whole family with activities, exhibits and more!

# ••••••• I'm ready to get growing! Where do I start? •••••••

### Step 1: Plan Your Garden

First things first - decide what vegetable and fruit plants you'd like to grow. KCCG offers a large catalog of seeds and fruit and vegetable plants. Spend some time perusing all of our offerings on pages 6-14 and make a list of everything that looks interesting or tasty.

Next, make a planting plan. It's helpful to measure your garden space and draw out a planting diagram for the spring, summer and fall seasons. Use the planting calendar at right and the list of fast- and slow-growing crops to help you know when to plant and how long to allow space for the plant in your garden. With a little practice, you can rotate crops through the seasons to get maximum yields from your space. On our website, you'll find a more in-depth guide to creating a planting plan, along with sample plans for each season and an online calculator to help you know how many seeds and plants you'll need.

#### You'll find all these at www.kccg.org/planting-plan.

### Step 2: Check Out our Online Resource Library

KCCG's website is host to an extensive library of gardening resources. From guidesheets to short how-to videos and full-length workshop recordings, if you have questions, we probably have answers!

#### You'll find all of these at www.kccg.org/gardening-resources

A great place to start if you're new to gardening is by viewing recordings of our Vegetable Garden Basics and Selecting & Planting Fruit Trees and Bushes workshops.

### Step 3: Make Plans to Attend a Free Workshop

Learn from KCCG's team of experts at one of our free gardening and cooking workshops (see details below). Pre-registration is required.

To sign up, visit **www.kccg.org/workshops** or call 816-931-3877. Workshops in 2024 will be live but we will have videos of all our workshops on our virtual workshop page: **www.kccg.org/virtual-workshops** 

### **Step 4: Come Visit Us with Questions**

Still have questions, or puzzled by something that's not quite right in your garden? Stop by the KCCG office and visit with our staff. Technical assistance is provided to members free of charge.

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KCCG will host the workshops below at our Swope Park Headquarters (6917 Kensington Ave / KCMO, 64132). We will also partner with Kansas City Public Libraries to host satellite workshops at several libraries in KCMO. For more information on all workshops and to sign up for a workshop, visit **www.kccg.org/workshops.** 

# Spring

Friday, January 24th @ 12:00pm Selecting and Planting Fruit Trees and Berry Bushes

> Friday, February 7th @ 12:00pm Fruit Tree Care and Maintenance

Friday, February 14th @ 12:00pm Cool Season Spring Vegetable Crops

Wednesday, February 19th @ 4:00pm Onions & Potatoes

Friday, February 21st @ 12:00pm Hands-on Dormant Season Fruit Tree Pruning

> Friday, February 28th @ 12:00pm Vegetable Garden Basics

Friday, March 14th @ 12pm Garden Soils

Thursday, March 27th @ 4pm Controlling Insects in Your Garden

Friday, April 4th @ 12pm Garden Weed Management

Friday, April 18th @ 12pm Tomatoes, Peppers, and Sweet Potatoes

Thursday, May 1st @ 4pm Planting for Beneficial Insects and Pollinators

# Summer & Fall

Friday, June 6th @ 12:00pm Controlling Insects in Your Garden

Friday, July 18th @ 12pm How to Have a Successful Fall Garden Friday, August 22nd @ 12:00pm Extending the Garden Season

Friday, October 10th @12:00pm Garlic & Winter Garden Management

# **Planting Calendar**

Below are the recommended dates to plant varieties for the Kansas City area. Unless it notes "plants", recommended dates refer to seeds. For descriptions of each variety listed, refer to pages 6 -14.

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Arugula	3/15 - 4/25
	8/1 - 9/15
Asparagus - perennial (plants)	4/1 - 4/20
Bean, Bush	4/15 - 5/20
	7/25 - 8/20
Bean, Lima	5/5 - 5/25
Bean, Pole	5/1 - 5/20
Beet	3/15 - 4/15
	8/1 - 8/10
Berry Plants	3/15 - 4/15
	3/20 - 4/10
Broccoli (plants)	7/25 - 8/20
Brussels sprouts (plants)	3/20 - 4/10
	3/20 - 4/20
Cabbage (plants)	7/20 - 8/20
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
Fruit Trees	3/15 - 4/15
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
Kohlrabi	3/25 - 4/15
	7/25 - 8/15
Lettuce, Head (seeds or plants)	3/15 - 4/20
	8/1 - 9/15
Lettuce, Leaf (seeds or plants)	3/15 - 5/10
	8/1 - 9/15
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,	3/15 - 4/10
English (short vine variet- ies for fall planting)	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 - 9/1
Spinach	3/20 - 4/20
	8/1 - /1
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

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Tomatillo (seeds or plants)	5/1 - 5/25	
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	

# •••••• Fast and Slow Growing Crops

# Fast - Harvest in 3-5 Weeks:

- Arugula
- Cilantro
- Green Onions
- Lettuce
- Mustard Greens
- Radishes
- Spinach

# Slow - Harvest in 7-12 Weeks:

- Melons
- Squash
- Basil
- Tomatoes
- Peppers
- Beets
- Broccoli
- Bulb Onions
- Cabbage
  - Carrots
- Collards
- Kale
- Potatoes
- Sugar Snap Peas
- Sweet Potatoes \*
- (\* Harvest in 15-20 weeks)

# 2025 FRUIT PLANT DESCRIPTIONS & ORDERING INFORMATION

Fruit Tree Order Forms are available for all card members starting on February 3rd and due by March 7th, 2025

- To order fruit trees you must be a current member, order online www.kccg.org/fruitorders
- All fruit tree 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 trees soon, varieties sell out quickly. Limit 6 trees total with no more than 2 of one variety.
- Orders will be available for pick-up March 20th-22nd during our spring plant sale. ORDERS MUST BE PICKED UP NO LATER THAN MARCH 22nd.
- All fruit plants need to be planted as soon as possible to get acclimated to your site.
- 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 your program to place an order.

#### • Order Deadline: Fruit Tree Orders are due by March 7, 2025.

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. \*This warranty does not include over-watering, under-watering, mechanical damage, animal damage, or herbicide damage.

# **FRUIT PRICING:**

Strawberry Plants

Green Card = \$2.50/bundle of 10 Yellow Card = \$3.50/bundle of 10 Orange Card = \$4.50/bundle of 10 Blue Card = \$5.00/bundle of 10

#### **Blackberry Plants**

Green Card = \$3.50/each Yellow Card = \$4.00/each Orange Card = \$4.50/each Blue Card = \$5.00/each

#### **Raspberry Plants**

Green Card = \$2.50/each Yellow Card = \$3.00/each Orange Card = \$3.50/each Blue Card = \$4.00/each

### All Fruit Trees - Includes Apple,

**Cherry, Jujube, Peach, and Pear** Green Card = \$25.00/each Yellow Card = \$35.00/each Orange Card = \$45.00/each Blue Card = \$55.00/each

### BERRIES

Available March 20th (Green & Yellow Cards) & March 21st (All Cards) In store purchase - no preorders

**'Cavendish' Strawberry** - Produces high yields of large, firm, bright red berries with outstanding flavor. Plants are resistant to verticillium and red stele. Ripens mid-late May. Sold in bundles of 10, limit 10 bundles.

**'Natchez' Thornless Blackberry** Large thumb sized berries have excellent flavor. Plants are upright, vigorous, hardy, and need trellising. The earliest blackberry for our area! 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 welldrained soil! Limit 10 plants.

## FRUIT TREES

Fruit tree order forms are available for all card members starting on February 1st. Orders will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis until March 8th or supply runs out.

#### APPLE

Trees need another variety (pollinizer) to ensure pollination.

**'Pristine' Apple** (mid-late season flowering) On M.7 semi-dwarf rootstock 12-15' - Ripens early-mid July to a golden color with a pink blush and are crisp and tart with a mild sweetness. Tree is a heavy bearer, and will need early thinning. Immune to apple scab, has good resistance to cedar apple rust, and has some resistance to powdery mildew and fire-blight. A Purdue, Rutgers, Illinois breeding program selection (PRI).

**'Liberty' Apple** (early-mid season flowering) On M.7 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. 6-10oz fruits ripen deep-red to purple with a creamy white flesh in early to mid-September.

**'Enterprise' Apple** (mid-late season flowering) On M.7 semi-dwarf rootstock 12-15' - A glossy, large (12-16oz) red apple with an excellent spritely flavor that improves with storage. The tree is productive, vigorous, and spreading. Fruit ripens late September. It is an excellent keeper and is immune to scab and resistant to fire blight, cedar apple rust and powdery mildew. A PRI selection.

**'Williams Pride' Apple** - (early-mid season flowering) On M.7 semi-dwarf rootstock 12-15' - Dark red apple, yellow flesh with excellent tart fruit quality, ripens in early August. (continued)

#### 'Williams Pride' Apple (continued)

Field immune to apple scab, highly resistant to cedar-apple rust, fire-blight and powdery mildew. A PRI selection.

#### **CHERRY** All varieties are self-fertile

**'Blackgold' Sweet Cherry -** On Krymsk 5, semi-dwarfing rootstock, 12-16'. Rootstock has a good tolerance of thick clay soils. Large fruits ripen to a deep red-purple skin and golden flesh in mid-June. Fruit is firm and has good crack resistance.

#### 'Jubileum' Hybrid Sweet-Tart Cherry

On Mahaleb semi-standard rootstock, 20-23' - Fruits are large with deep reddishpurple skin and flesh. Fruit starts ripening in early June and will darken and sweeten on the tree. Great for fresh eating, dehydration, or for its purple juice. Fruit is naturally high in anthocyanins.

#### 'Montmorency' Hybrid Sweet-Tart

**Cherry** - On Mahaleb semi-standard rootstock, 18-20' - An old standard pie cherry (tart) variety with bright red skin on yellow fruit and clear juice. Tree is well rounded in growth. Ripens mid-June.

#### 'Balaton' Hybrid Sweet-Tart Cherry

On Mahaleb semi-standard rootstock, 20-23' - A late-blooming, crack-resistant cherry, this fruit is tart with red flesh, like Jubileum, but later ripening, mid-late June.

#### 'Carmine Jewel' Tart Bush Cherry 6-7'

tall and wide (on own roots) - This is best grown as a multi-trunked shrub. The tart fruit starts ripening in early June and will sweeten (a bit) as it continues to ripen and darken throughout the month. Carmine is used for pies, juices and dehydrating. Intense deep reddish juice is high in anti-oxidants. Expect 20-30 lbs of fruit once this shrub matures. Colony forming habit.

#### JUJUBE

**'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.

**'Li' Jujube** (mostly self-fertile) 15-20' tall, 15-20' wide - The fruits are 2" round and are ripe in the light green to mottled mahogany, or full mahogany color in mid Septemberearly October.

#### **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

Calleryana 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.

#### 'Shinko' Asian Pear - On

Calleryana rootstock 15-18' - Fruit is medium to large (10-16 oz.) with a brown to golden brown russet color. Flesh is yellowish white with a good juicy, sweet flavor. Ripens in early September, 1-2 weeks after Yoinashi. Stores 3 to 4 months. Good fire-blight resistance.

#### 'Korean Giant' Asian Pear - On

Calleryana rootstock 15-18' - Fruit is medium to large (12-16 oz.) 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. Good fire-blight resistance.

#### **EUROPEAN PEAR**

Trees need another variety (pollinizer) to ensure pollination unless noted.

**'Harrow Delight' Pear** - OHxF333 rootstock 12-15' This is the first pear variety to ripen in our area in mid-late July. 6-9 oz fruits should be harvested as they turn a light green. This variety is very precocious and tolerant of fire-blight.

**'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. Two month storage when refrigerated.

#### PEACH

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.

**'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.

**'Contender' Peach** - Citation Rootstock 10-15' This hardy, lateblooming peach escapes late spring frosts. Beautiful, large freestone fruit is firm, sweet and delicious. Good resistance to bacterial spot. Ripens in mid-late July.

If you have any questions, email us at givinggrove@kccg.org.



# **KCCG Plants and Seeds**

KCCG offers varieties of seeds and plants that have been shown to thrive in the Kansas City climate and offer natural resistance to pests and disease. We make plants and seeds available during the optimal planting times in our area. Our vegetable transplants are grown in our on-site greenhouse. All seeds and plants listed below will go on sale at our office on the dates listed, weather permitting. Most items will be available for several weeks, while supplies last.

#### **ASPARAGUS**

Available March 20th (Green & Yellow Cards) & March 21st (All Cards) In-store purchases only (no pre-orders)

Member pricing per bundle of 5 TBD: Pricing will be market rate.

**'Millennium'** - A male variety that is adaptable to most garden sites. Productive once established. Millennium is a newer variety that replaces Jersey Knight that is no longer available for sale. Limit - 5 bundles.

#### GARLIC

Order August 11th - September 12th

Garlic prices for this year have not been set. Garlic can be ordered in our office or online on our website: **www.kccg.org/garlic.** All garlic orders must be pre-paid. **'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.)

#### 'Chesnok Red' Hardneck -

A cold-hardy, purple-striped hardneck variety known for its fine flavor and smooth texture when roasted. Produces large bulbs with 8-12 medium-sized cloves per head. Stores 6 months when cured. A stiffneck or hardneck type.

**'Music' Hardneck** - A cold-hardy, spicy and incredibly flavorful garlic. Easy-to-peel cloves with white and purple striped outer skin and pinktinged clove skins.

#### 'Music' Hardneck (continued)

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. Remove scapes (when they appear) to promote better bulb development. (20 - 30 plants per lb.)

#### LEEKS

Available March 17th Price TBD based on market rates.

**'Lancelot'** - 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).

#### **ONION SETS**

Available March 3rd Price TBD based on market rates.

Recommended for growing green onions.

#### **Red, Yellow, & White**

#### **ONION PLANTS** Available March 17th Price TBD based on market rates.

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 3-4 months. (hybrid)

**'Candy Apple' (red)** - 100 days -Sweet at harvest, becomes more pungent during storage. Stores 2-3 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. Stores 3-4 months. (hybrid)

#### **SEED POTATOES** Available March 3rd

Anticipated member pricing per 5 lb. bag: Green - \$3.00, Yellow - \$4.00 Orange - \$5.00, Blue - \$6.00 Price subject to change based on market rates

**'Red Norland'** - Early maturing potato with red skin and white flesh. Smaller in size.

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

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

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

**'Purple Majesty'**\* - Early maturing purple skinned potato with purple flesh. Smaller in size and slightly nutty flavor. \*Sold at Market Price.

#### SHALLOTS

Available March 17th Price TBD based on market rates.

110-120 days - Rust colored red skin and light pink flesh with bulbs measuring up to 3". Add shallots to any dish for great flavor! Stores for 7-8 months.

#### **SWEET POTATOES**

Order from March 25th through April 26th Member pricing per dozen: Green - \$3.00, Yellow - \$4.00, Orange - \$5.00, Blue - \$6.00

Order in the office or online at www.kccg.org/sweetpotatoes

#### 'Beauregard' Sweet Potato

90-100 days - 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.

# **KCCG Transplants (Warm & Cool Season)**

Spring Plants Available Starting March 20th (Green & Yellow Cards) - March 21st (All Cards)
Summer Plants Available Starting April 24th (Green & Yellow Cards) - April 25th (All Cards)
Fall Plants Available July 31st (All Cards) - Cool Season Lettuce Available Aug. 28th (All Cards)
3-packs - \$.50 (Green Card) \$1.00 (Yellow Card) \$2.00 (Orange Card) \$3.00 (Blue Card)

#### BROCCOLI

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

**Happy Rich** - 36 days - does not produce a large central head but instead produces many smaller heads with sweet broccoli flavor.

#### **BRUSSELS SPROUTS**

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

#### CABBAGE

**Bravo** - 85 days - Widely adapted midseason cabbage with very large bluegreen heads and excellent disease resistance. (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, 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. (hybrid)

#### EGGPLANT

**Gaudi** - 65 days - Dark purple flesh with classic teardrop shape. Prolific yields on strong upright plants with good stress tolerance.

**Orient Express** - 58 days - Attractive, slender 8-10", glossy black fruits in long Asian 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 earlyproducing. 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

**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)

**Pablano** - 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. (open pollinated)

**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)

**Jalapeňo** - 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** - 75 days - Strong plants that load up early with dozens of thin peppers that are 2" long and one half inch thick. Very hot flavor. Fruits turn red when fully ripe. (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)

**Romany** - 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)

**Early Sunsation** - 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)

**Orange Bell Pepper** - This pepper is TBD based on availablity.

**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**

**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)

**Cupid** (mini bell) - 75 days to red ripe. This early sweet miniature bell pepper is the perfect size for snacking and for "lunchbox peppers." Fruits are blocky to slightly pointed averaging 2" by 1.75". (hybrid) Note: this is a tiny bell pepper.

**Eros** (mini bell) - 75 days to yellow ripe – This is a miniature "lunchbox" bell pepper, similar to 'Cupid' but golden yellow when ripe. Blocky fruits are 2" to 1 ¾" in diameter. (hybrid)

**Escamillo** -- 60 days (green) 80 days (yellow ripe) - golden yellow Italian pepper. 6" long fruits are very sweet when ripe and excellent for fresh use and frying. All America Selections winner.

**Shishito** -60 days green, 80 days red - Popular Japanese variety used in traditional and gourmet recipes. The flavorful 3" oblong fruits are traditionally used green but ripen to a very sweet red pepper. (open pollinated)

#### **SWISS CHARD**

**'Bright Lights'** - 28 days for baby chard, 55 days for larger leaves. Vibrant, rainbow colored stalks. Plants thrive throughout spring, summer and into fall providing a steady supply of greens. Routine cutting of larger leaves will stimulate continuous production through frost.

#### 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) Extralarge, 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** - 75 days - (VFLb) Determinate Roma type paste tomato. High yields of 4 oz. deep red fruits with good flavor. (hybrid)

**San Marzano 2** - 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) (open pollinated)

**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 purpleblack colored fruits. The flavor is fantastic and slices are lovely on hamburgers or salad. (indeterminate) (open pollinated)

**Cherokee Purple** - 72 days - 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 - Tangerineorange, 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)

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 - Purple - 60 days - Beautiful purple tomato like fruits are enclosed in a husk. Much sweeter than green tomatillos and rich in healthy antioxidants. Let the fruit hang on the plant as long as possible for the husk to split open and for maximum flavor and color. Plant two or more plants for better pollination.

Tomatillo - Toma Verde - 60 days - Earlymaturing large, flat-round green fruits. Great for salsa and other Latin American recipes. Plant two or more plants for better pollination. (indeterminant)

#### **Tomato Variety Information** and Code Designations:

Tomato plants are subject to many diseases and the initials/codes refer to disease resistance with each initial referring to a specific disease. You can read online about the different diseases but in general, the more initials you see in the variety description - the more resistant that variety will be to all the diseases. Here is the key to the primary resistance designations:

**V** - Verticillium wilt (fungus disease)

- **F** Fusarium wilt (fungus disease)
- FF Fusarium wilt (races 1&2)
- **FFF** Fusarium wilt (races 1,2,&3)

**N** – Nematodes (microscopic worm pests)

- **T** Tobacco Mosaic (virus disease)
- **A** Alternarium stem canker
- (fungus disease)

**Lb** - Late blight (fungus disease)

#### **St** - Stemphylium (fungus disease)

#### Hybrids vs. Open Pollinated

The other designations you will encounter in the variety descriptions are the terms "hybrid" and "open pollinated". A hybrid variety is the direct result of intentionally crossing 2 distinct varieties. A hybrid variety does not mean that it has been genetically modified (GMO). None of our seed or plant varieties are GMO. Hybrid plants typically have more vigor and disease resistance than their parent varieties. plant. Seeds saved from hybrid plants typically do not reproduce true to the characteristics of the hybrid variety. Open pollinated varieties are nonhybrid. They are the result a variety being pollinated by the same variety. Seeds may be saved and will reproduce true to the parent

.... **HERBS** 

Sold Individually \$.50 (Green) \$1.00 (Yellow) \$2.00 (Orange) \$3.00 (Blue)

#### **Perrennial vs Annual vs Biennial**

Perennial plants regrow every spring. Annual plants live for only one growing season, then die off. Biennial plants grow leaves the first year and flower/fruit and die the next year.

Basil (variety: 'Prospera') - This is a classic Genovese (Italian) basil variety with impressive resistance to downy mildew. Fast growing, dark green glossy leaves and traditional aroma. Basil is an extremely important culinary herb and fresh basil is an essential ingredient for pesto. If you let it flower, it slows the leaf growth but provides forage for bees. 24 -28" tall (hybrid) (annual)

Cardinal Basil - Ornamental and edible "Thai type" basil with larger leaves and showy purple stems and attractive purple-red flowers.

**Onion Chives** - This is the standard garden chives. Long green stems with onion flavor. Purple blossoms in spring. Chives are a member of the onion family. It grows in clumps that get thicker but can be cut repeatedly and will regrow. Very tolerant of cold weather. Use fresh or sauteed to add "green onion" flavoring. High in vitamins C and K. (perennial)

French Sorrel - This leafy salad herb has a pleasingly sour or acidic taste. Typically used fresh in salad, soups and stews. Younger, smaller leaves are best as they are less acidic. Remove the flowers as they form to keep up leaf production. (perennial)

Flat leaf Parsley (variety 'Giant of Italy') - This preferred culinary variety has huge dark green flat leaves with great flavor. Strong upright stems. Parsley is an important culinary herb that is very nutritious - high in vitamins K, A and C. Parsley plants are very cold tolerant and will live over the winter and flower in the second year and then die. Parsley is a host for black swallowtail butterfly caterpillars. (biennial)

Marjoram - Sometimes called "Sweet Marjoram', this culinary herb is a relative of oregano and is grown as an annual in our region. It is an important ingredient in the famous herb mix "Herbs de Provence" and is used to season soups, stews, salad dressings, sauces and herbal teas. Marjoram is also sometimes used medicinally for various purposes.

Oregano (Greek oregano) - This popular herb is considered essential for Italian and Greek cooking. The low growing stems have small rounded leaves. If you let it flower, it will produce taller flower stalks with attractive clusters of small light purple flowers that attract many beneficial pollinators. Can be used fresh or dried. (perennial)

**Rosemary** - This popular herb is actually a woody shrub from the Mediterranean region. It is very cold weather tolerant but usually does not survive our winters here. The leaves are silvery green and needle-like with distinctive fragrance. Used fresh or dry in many savory dishes. (tender perennial)

Sage - Beautiful gray green leaves with distinctive scent accompanied by gorgeous spikes of small blue lavender flowers in early summer. The leaves are usually dried for use in savory dishes. Dried sage is the herb used to give breakfast sausage its distinctive flavor. Does best in well drained soil. (perennial)

Summer Savory (compact variety) This little known herb is used fresh and dried to flavor savory dishes with beans, sausage, cabbage and many other ingredients. Will sometimes reseed. (annual)

**Thyme** (German Winter) – This is the standard culinary thyme which is very versatile for use in many dishes. Thyme has a complex fragrance and flavor and it goes well with other spices. Tiny leaves on wiry stems. Low growing and very winter hardy. (perennial)

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#### PERRENNIAL POLLINATOR PLANTS

Available Late April

KCCG offers cannas and perrennial pollinator plants throughout the spring and summer. Varieties vary depending on availability. To see what is currently available and pricing, scan the QR code or visit the following link:

#### www.kccq.org/cannas-pollinators



# **KCCG General Seeds**

Available March 3rd - Ten (10) packs included free with membership.

Additional packs available for \$.20 (Green Card) \$1.00 (Yellow Card) \$1.50 (Orange Card) \$2.00 (Blue Card). Up to 20 additonal 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.

**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.

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

**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.

**Strike Bush Bean** - 45 days - Heavy yielding 5" stringless green bean with great flavor. Very early and productive with plants that yield over a long period of time. earliness, its productivity, its flavor, and the fact that plants yield over a remarkably long period of time. Resistant to common bean mosaic virus

#### **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.

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

#### CORN

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

#### **Reid's Yellow Dent Corn (field corn)**

- 85 days immature, 110 days dry -Heirloom variety that can be used to produce corn meal and corn flour and animal feed. It can be eaten as corn on the cob in the immature stage but it is not a sweet corn. Plants are very productive and are adaptable and dependable in high heat and poor soils. Very tall stalks 7-8 ft. (open pollinated)

**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

**Premier** - 55 days- high yielding green variety with smooth leaves and white ribs. Upright and compact growth habit.

#### **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).

**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, fastgrowing variety for processing, market, and home gardening. Large, upright plants 10" high, deep green, oval-shaped, smooth leaves.

#### **MUSTARD (CONTINUED)**

**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.

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

**Space** - 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. (hybrid)

#### 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.

**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 earlymaturing 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.

#### 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".

#### **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.

#### **TURNIPS**

**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.

#### 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.

#### •••• GOURDS

**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.

#### •••• HERBS

**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.

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

Flat Leaf Parsley - 'Giant of Italy' -

Preferred culinary variety. Huge darkgreen leaves with great flavor and strong upright stems.

#### ••••• FLOWERS

**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.

**Celosia, Pampas Plume -** Easy to grow annual that is excellent for cut flowers. Mixture of yellow, orange, red and dark red plume type flowers on tall sturdy stems. Flowers can be dried and leave are edible. 33"-48" tall.

**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, mildewtolerant, 24" plants produce 4-5" multicolored flowers that are good for cutting.

# BEANSTALK SPECIALTY SEEDS

Beanstalk Specialty Seeds are unique and colorful plant varieties that are grown in KCCG's Beanstalk Children's Garden. They're a great resource for families who are introducing kids to gardening. Proceeds from the Beanstalk Seed line help to support KCCG's mission as we work to increase healthy food access for all!

Specialty seeds per pack \$1.00 (Green Card) \$2.00 (Yellow Card) \$2.50 (Orange Card) \$3.00 (Blue Card). They cannot be counted in the 10 free seed packs you receive with your KCCG membership.

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#### **FRUITS & 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.

**Cantaloupe 'Ambrosia'** - 86 days this orange fleshed cantaloupe type melon is considered by many to be the best flavored melon around. Fruits have tender flesh that is extra sweet with small seed cavities. Vines are mildew resistant. Fruit is ripe when it slips from the vine with slight pressure.

**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 Georgiatype hybrid with crinkled leaves.

**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.

#### Cucumber 'H-19 Littleleaf'

57 days - Bright green cucumbers are 3-5" long, good for both pickling and eating fresh. Vines have smaller leaves and are compact, multibranching, and yield well even under stress. This variety can be grown under row cover without pollination (parthenocarpic). Very productive and disease resistant.

**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.

**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.

**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 'Russian Red' - 60 days - One of the hardiest and most tenderleaved of all kales. It has frilly, purpleveined, blue-green leaves are tinged with red-purple and resemble oak leaves.

**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)

**Orach 'Aurora Mix' -** 45 days A green, like spinach in flavor, but slower to bolt in the heat. Plants can get 4-6' tall in flower but retain tender sweetness. Highly ornamental lime green, copper, red, and purple foliage.

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

**Pumpkin 'Kakai'** - 100 days - Eyecatching, 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. Semibush, 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

#### Turnip 'Hakurei' - 38 days -

considered by many to be the best tasting turnip variety, this early maturing Japanese turnip is sweet and tender and is often eaten raw in salads. The roots are white 2" round globes with smooth skin. The greens are smooth (not hairy) and may be eaten raw or lightly cooked. (hybrid)

#### 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.

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**FLOWERS** 

**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.

**Plains Coreopsis** - Native North American showy annual wildflower. Plant grows 2-3' tall and features numerous 1" yellow flowers with red centers.

**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.

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**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)

#### 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.

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#### **FUN & UNIQUE SEEDS**

**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.

#### Sesame 'Monticello White'

110-125 days - 5-6' tall plant features white tubular flowers followed by an abundance of 4 valved seed capsules yielding copious amounts of edible seed.

**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.

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In addition to seeds and plants, KCCG offers a variety of recommended garden supplies at low cost. You must be a 2024 KCCG member to purchase. Garden supplies available while supplies last. For a full list of garden supplies, please visit **www.kccg.org/garden-supplies** or scan the QR Code to the right:



# PLEASE NOTE: Garden supplies will be sold at market price.

### **Tomato Cages**

Individual gardeners may purchase up to 12 tomato cages. 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.

## **Organic Compost**

Made of fully composted yard waste (grass and leaves), this compost is excellent for amending all garden soils and for planting. It is weed free.

### **Organic Fertilizer**

KCCG offers pelletized organic chicken manure fertilizer. Members receive 10 pounds and may purchase additional quantities. All quantities are self-serve.

### **Insect Control**

KCCG offers affordable pest control products that are natural and/or certified for organic gardening. Please visit our garden supplies webpage listed above or call us for available products.

### **Straw Bales**

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

# **Garden Tilling**

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, visit the KCCG office. Please bring proof of income with you.



You can purchase all of our Beanstalk Specialty Seeds and KCCG General Seeds for non-member pricing online at:

### www.beanstalkseeds.com

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More than 48,000 households harvested food from a KCCG-supported garden or orchard in 2025. Put another way, our services reach 1 out of every 19 households in the KC metro area! Work of this scope truly takes a community – and wouldn't be possible without the generosity of many volunteers and donors. Ready to get involved? Here's how you can help:

# Make A Gift

At KCCG, we believe that everyone should be able to enjoy healthy foods. We're on a mission to ensure that families, schools and community groups have the affordable resources and knowledge they need to be successful in growing their own fruits and vegetables. Gifts to KCCG help us to subsidize the cost of seeds, plants, fertilizer and tilling services. They also enable us to offer technical assistance and educational resources free of charge.

#### Make a one-time or monthly gift online at www.kccg.org/donate

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.

# Volunteer

Volunteers play a vital role in KCCG's day-to-day operations and long-term success. Each year, volunteers donate thousands of hours service to support KCCG's work.

Volunteers help to fill seed packs, start transplants, build raised garden beds, help in our front office, and more. Groups and individuals are welcomed. We have opportunities for everyone - whether you're a novice gardener or a seasoned pro.

#### Learn more and sign up at www.kccg.org/volunteer

or contact our Volunteer Coordinator at: volunteer@kccg.org

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# Interested in growing your own food? KCCG is here to help!

KCCG is a non-profit organization that helps low-income households, schools and community groups to grow fruit and vegetables. We offer affordable plants & seeds, free workshops and expert advice.

For individuals & families:

KCCG offers an annual membership program. Membership fees are based on income and the number of people in your household and range from \$2 to \$45.

With your enrollment, you'll receive:

- 10 free packs of seeds and the opportunity to buy more at low-cost member prices
- A free 10-lb. bag of fertilizer
- Starter plants, including vegetable and herb transplants, fruit trees, berry bushes and more at low-cost member prices
- Low-cost garden supplies, such as straw, compost and pest control products
- Low-cost tilling services and access to KCCG rental plot gardens

# With a total investment of \$25 or less and a little practice, it's possible for a low-income KCCG member household to grow more than \$600 of organic produce each year!

KCCG also helps schools and community groups to establish and sustain gardens and orchards. To learn more about all that we offer, see page 2.

# Come Grow With Us!

KCCG is located in Swope Park at 6917 Kensington Kansas City, MO 64132

Regular Season Office Hours: Monday: 10am - 5pm Tuesday -Friday: 9 am - 5 pm (February - September)

Extended Spring Hours: Open Thursdays until 6:00pm (March 27 - May 22)

Winter Office Hours: Tuesdays: 12pm-5pm Thursdays & Fridays: 12pm-4pm (November - January)

Saturdays from 9am to 12pm (March 22 - May 10)

Contact us at 816.931.3877 or contact@kccg.org