



2011 Salem Herbfarm Tomato Plant List

Definitions:

Indeterminate (climbing) (I) varieties need support; use either stakes, trellises or tomato cages. These plants should be pruned for best results. Fruit ripens over an extended period of time.

Determinate (bush) (D) varieties may be grown with or without support. There is no need to prune determinate varieties. Fruits ripen within a concentrated time period.

Heirloom Tomato is an open-pollinated cultivar of tomato. The age of the tomato also helps to define the cultivar as an heirloom. Typically 50 years is used as a guideline. A true heirloom tomato is one that has been handed down from family member to family member for many generations, or was introduced by a seed company many years ago and has been saved, maintained, and handed down for years. The originating seed company may or may not be currently in business. Growing heirloom tomatoes has grown in popularity, but please be aware that yields can be less consistent than modern varieties. Also they may be more prone to diseases and they are softer and more perishable when ripe. However, you can't beat the taste!!

Hybrid tomatoes come from seeds produced by plants that were cross-pollinated for certain qualities. Some desirable qualities may be increased production and disease resistance. Most times the desirable qualities are at the expense of taste, think supermarket tomatoes in the middle of winter. However, there are some good hybrids out there. Ask your fellow gardener for recommendations.

Open-pollinated tomatoes are plants that grow true from seed. This means open-pollinated varieties are capable of producing seeds from current season plants. The plant produced from this seed will be like the parent plant.

Number of days listed is the anticipated harvest date from transplant day set out.

Abraham Lincoln (I) 87 days—Dark red fruits, sweet, solid and meaty. Perfect for ketchup, juice, or slicing.

Amish Paste (I) 74 days—A turn of the century tomato. This tomato can be used for sauces and canning. Each fruit weighs about 8 oz. Not overly acidic.



Arkansas Traveler (I) 90 days—Heralding from the Ozark Mountains of Arkansas and Missouri. Medium-sized fruits, about 6 oz with excellent, creamy, mild flavor.

Beefsteak (I) 80 days—Weighing up to 2 pounds, these large, flattened, red fruits are an excellent slicer.

Big Beef (I) 73 days—Old-fashioned rich tomato taste. Smooth fruits are globe-shaped and weigh 9 to 16 ounces with an excellent yield. Full spectrum of disease resistance. Kathryn just loves these tomatoes. She says these are large and meaty with great flavor. She uses them in salads.

Box Car Willie (I) 80 days—These high-yielding, multi-use tomatoes are ideal for canning, freezing or for home-cooked meals. Prolific yields of smooth, reddish-orange fruits averaging 10 to 16 oz each.

Brandywine (I) 90 to 100 days—Dating back to 1885, Brandywine is considered to be the world's best-flavored tomato. Plants looking like potato vine will yield fruit weighing up to 1-½ pounds. Light rosy-pink fruit. Brandywine is Marilyn's favorite. She loves these huge, meaty delicious tomatoes right off the vine. She slices them up and enjoys them as is.

Caspian Pink (I) 80 days—Originally grown in Russia, this Heirloom has beaten Brandywine in California taste tests for several years. You be the judge.

Celebrity (D) 70 days—Medium-sized, globe-shaped fruits are crack resistant and average 7 oz.

Costoluto Genovese (I) 90 days—Perfect for the outside garden or greenhouse production. Vigorous plants produce ribbed, firm, fleshy fruits. Nice sweet flavor with good disease resistance.

Early Girl (I) 57 days —Enjoy these girls in 57 days from setting them outside. Meaty, red fruits weigh in at 4 to 6 oz. Firm texture and blemish-resistant skin.

First Ladies-Kastalia Cultivar (I) 68 days—Don't know if Michelle grows this in her garden, but this tomato has high yields over a long growing season, even under adverse weather conditions. These globe-shaped fruits weigh in between 5 and 7 oz.

Jet Star (I) 70 days—Big globe-shaped fruits excellent flavor with low acidity. Compact habit.



Moreton Hybrid (I) 70 days—Large, meaty delicious fruit matures early. Oblate in shape with deep red color. Needs staking, caging or trellising. Produces over long period. Jim and Gloria who stop by quite frequently come in every year to pick up this tomato.

Mortgage Lifter (I) 75 to 85 days—Large meaty fruits with few seeds. These large, smooth, pink skinned tomatoes are very mild and sweet. Anne likes this tomato because it is firm, crack resistant and is juicy without being overly juicy.

Moskvich (I) 60 days—Early producing heirloom variety. Fruits weigh 4 to 6 ounces, deep red, smooth globe-shaped. Tolerates cooler temperatures.

Mr. Stripey (I) 80 days—Add color to your salad with this red and yellow striped heirloom. Large, ridge shouldered fruits are mild and low in acid.

New Girl (I) 62 days—Newer version of Early Girl with improved taste and more disease resistance.

Oxheart (I) 80 days—Old time favorite heart shaped fruit weighing between 1 and 2 pounds. Meaty with few seeds making this a perfect slicing tomato for sandwiches, or for stuffing. Can also be used for purees or sauces. Very flavorful!

Patio Tomato (D) 70 days—High yields of 2 inch red tomatoes. Great for small gardens and containers. Tasty in salads or as a snack.

Polish Linguisa (I) 73 days—Large 7 to 10 ounce pie-shaped fruit. Flesh is soft and sweet. Enjoy this vigorous 19th Century heirloom in your garden this summer.

Principe Borghese (D) 75 days—If you like dried tomatoes this Italian plum tomato is for you. Fruits are small and meaty with few seeds and juice.

Roma Paste (D) 75 days—We all know this paste tomato is used for sauces, pastes and ketchup. The bright red, pear-shaped fruits are nice and meaty with few seeds.

Rose (I) 75 to 80 days—An Amish heirloom from Pennsylvania. Similar to Brandywine, these 10-ounce fruits are meaty and dusty rose colored with excellent flavor.

San Marzano (I) 80 days—An excellent tomato to use for canning. These 3 ½ x 1-½ inch bright red fruits hang in large clusters. Holds well on the vine and in storage.

Saucey (D) 75 to 85 days—Spend the day making salsas and sauces with this heavy producer. Enjoy one major harvest of red plum-shaped fruits that ripen all at once.

Tigerella (I) 76 days—Tangy, red, meaty fruits marked with green to yellow hue. Steady production all season.



Tomatoes of a different color

Cherokee Purple (I) 80 to 90 days—Medium, pink-purple fruits that appear brown in color. Fruits are round to oblate weighing between 8 and 12 ounces.

Green Zebra (D) 78 days—Don't wait for these to turn red, they won't. Fully ripe tomatoes are bright green color with stripes of a lighter green. Round small 2 to 4 ounce fruits have that "real tomato" flavor. Maggie likes Green Zebra because it is easy being green.

Lemon Boy (I) 72 days—Lemony yellow large, deep oblate fruit, averaging 6 to 7 ounces. Add this mild flavored tomato to your salads for exciting color.

Golden Jubilee (I) 72 days—Bright, golden-orange 2 ½ to 3-inch diameter fruits averaging 6 to 7 ounces. Because of its low acidity and mild flavor use this meaty solid fruit for juice. Great in the home garden. Needs staking. High yields.

Cherry or grape tomatoes

Gardener's Delight (I) 72 days—Super-sweet red ¾ inch cherry tomato hang in clusters of 6 to 12 fruits. Bears until frost. Requires staking or caging.

Juliet (I) 60 days—Red grape-like fruits that hang in clusters on the vine. These sweet fruits weigh in at 1 oz. Another great tomato for salads or for snacking right off the vine.

Red Currant (I) 65 days—Pea-sized ¼ inch fruits, crunchy fruity flavor used for salads or snacking. Each branching cluster produces 15 to 20 fruits.

Red Robin (D) 55 days—Use this extra-sweet dwarf in containers. This 8 to 12 inch tall plant is ideal for windowsills, patios or hanging baskets. 1 ½ inch round red tomatoes.

Sungold (I) 57 days—Eat these bite-sized golden beauties right off the vine. Thin skinned and sweet, sweet, sweet. Cascading bunches of tomatoes await you in your garden. Hands down favorite of everyone that works at the Herbfarm. We love that this tomato has less acid than some others and is oh so sweet. Some may even say that it is better than candy. If you have to pick just one pick this one.

Super Sweet 100 (I) 65 days—Super sweet red cherry tomatoes weighing about 1 ounce and measuring 1 inch in diameter. Bears throughout the season. Needs staking or caging.

Sweet Million (I) 60 days—High yielding super-sweet red cherry tomato. Excellent disease resistance matures early and produces till frost.



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Tiny Tim (D) 60 days—Perfect for tiny gardens or containers. At 15 inches tall this plant yields many small $\frac{3}{4}$ inch red fruits. Toss them in your salad or your mouth as you garden.

Tumbling Tom (I) 70 days—Ideal for hanging baskets and container gardens. Sturdy branches cascade to 20 inches or more and are loaded with 1 to 2 inch fruits. Enjoy as a snack or in salads.

Yellow Pear (I) 78 days—High yielding vines produce 2 inch yellow pear-shaped fruits with few seeds.