

BRAZORIA COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
2026 SEEDLING SALE VARIETIES

TOMATOES - CHERRY CATEGORY



Chocolate Cherry Tomato

Heirloom that is loaded with dense clusters of sweet fruit. Brick red with chocolate shading weighing ½-¾ oz. Perfect for salads, slicing or canning. 70-75 days to maturity. Fruit size 1-1½" in diameter. Grows to 5-6' tall. Type: Indeterminate.



Mexico Midget Tomato

Heirloom tomato. Prolific currant variety yielding heaps of dime-sized cherry tomatoes throughout the growing season. Ruby red fruits are super-sweet with a deep tomato flavor. Tiny tomatoes grow in elegant clusters. Plan for sprawling vines. 60-70 days to maturity. Fruit size ¼-½" in diameter. Type: Indeterminate.



Sun Gold Tomato

Sweet, juicy & golden orange. Slightly larger than cherry tomatoes. Ripen quickly. Thin skin & high sugar content. 57 days to maturity. Fruit size 1¼" in diameter. Type: Indeterminate.



Supersweet 100 Tomato

Produces long strands of 15 or more sugary sweet cherry tomatoes. Extra high in Vitamin C. Great for snacking or salads. Requires staking. 65 days to maturity. Fruit size 1 oz. & 1" in diameter. Type: Indeterminate.

TOMATOES - PASTE CATEGORY



Amish Paste Tomato

Heirloom tomato. One of the most popular tomatoes for sauces & canning. Plant with basil to deter hornworms. 74-85 days to maturity. Fruit size 8 oz. Type: Indeterminate.



Andiamo Tomato

A San Marzano type tomato. Produces heavy yields of bright red firm & meaty fruits. 65 days to maturity. Fruit size 5" elongated. Type: Indeterminate.



San Marzano Tomato

Heirloom plum tomato. Long & thin, sweet flavor, low acidity, firm pulp, less seeds. Best for canned tomatoes, great for sauces. Full sun. 80 days to maturity. Fruit size 4 oz. Grows to 6-8' tall. Type: Indeterminate.

TOMATOES - HEIRLOOM CATEGORY



Belle of the Ball Tomato

A true hybrid Heirloom. Slightly flat, round & full of flavor. Juicy with a balance of acid & sweetness. 70 days to maturity. Fruit size 6-8 oz. Type: Determinate.

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Brandywine Red Tomato

The most popular Heirloom tomato. Rich, sweet, & a juicy succulent bite. It sets big purplish-red, deeply lobed & not uniformed. 90-100 days to maturity. Fruit size 12-24 oz. plus. Type: Indeterminate.



German Johnson Tomato

Heirloom variety that is large, deep pink & flavorful. Nearly crack-free. Disease-resistant, thrives in hot humid areas. 75-80 days to maturity. Fruit size 8-16 oz. Type: Indeterminate.



Mortgage Lifter Tomato

Large pink Heirloom tomato with a delicious, rich, sweet taste. Heavy producer. 75-85 days to maturity. Fruit size 1-1½ lbs. Grows to 7-9' tall. Type: Indeterminate.

TOMATOES - SMALL CATEGORY (6-8 oz)



Best Boy Tomato

Early maturity. Good slicing tomato with great flavor. Resistant to Fusarium wilt, root-knot nematodes & Verticillium wilt. Great for small gardens, raised beds, containers, patios. Bushy & strong plants, perfect for holding a bumper crop. 75 days to maturity. Fruit size 8-11 oz. Type: Indeterminate.



Carmello Tomato

Bunches of high-yielding crimson red clusters. Crack resistant. Thick vigorous vines. Perfect for recipes & snacking. 70-75 days to maturity. Fruit size 4-5". Grows to 4' wide by 8' tall. Type: Indeterminate.



Celebrity Plus Tomato

Open-pollinated, non-hybrid variety. Enhanced improved disease resistance from Celebrity. Same flavor as Celebrity but sweeter & larger fruits. 80 days to maturity. Fruit size 7-8 oz. Type: Determinate, Bush.



Early Girl Plus Tomato

Hybrid early maturity tomato with abundant yields. Same flavor as Early Girl but with increased disease resistance. Fewer losses means more meaty bright crimson fruits. 65-70 days to maturity. Grows to 9' tall. Type: Indeterminate.



Rio Grande Tomato

Heirloom tomato. Extra-large, pear shaped fruits are highly flavorful & perfect for sauces, pastes & juicing! Highly disease resistant. 75-85 days to maturity. Extra large pear shaped fruit. Type: Determinate.



Wisconsin 55 Tomato

Deep red fruit with resistant shoulder cracks. Ripens evenly, strong skins with solid flesh. Great for canning. Vigorous plants are tolerant to Leaf Spot & Blossom End-Rot diseases. 75 days to maturity. Fruit size 4-8 oz. Type: Semi-Determinate.

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TOMATOES - MEDIUM CATEGORY (8-12 oz)



Bella Rosa Tomato

Large, round & deep red. Firm fruits with great tomato flavor. Excellent disease resistance. Grows well in hot & humid climates. Remarkable productivity; expect big yields. 75 days to maturity. Fruit size 10-12 oz. Grows to 4' tall. Type: Determinate.



Better Bush Tomato

Great for beginner gardeners. These hybrid plants are vigorous & have been bred to resist Verticillium wilt, Fusarium wilt & nematodes. 68 days to maturity. Fruit size 4". Type: Determinate.



Big Beef Plus Tomato

Medium to large ruby red tomatoes with meaty fruit. Firm, juicy & highly flavored. Old-fashioned tomato taste. Excellent for slicing, salads & canning. Disease resistant with heavy yields. 75 days to maturity. Medium to large globe shaped fruit. Type: Indeterminate.



Bush Champion II Tomato

An early maturing hybrid tomato ideal for containers, patios & small garden beds. Red, meaty & flavorful. Some disease resistance. Suitable for slicing, salads & canning. 65 days to maturity. Fruit size 8-12 oz. Type: Determinate.



Bush Early Girl Tomato

Early ripening & high-yielding. Ideal for containers. Known for heat tolerance & strong disease resistance. Excellent for early season, compact gardens. Large yields. 63 days to maturity. Fruit size 6-7 oz. Type: Determinate.



Jetsetter Tomato

Matures earlier with better disease resistance. Thrives in both short-season & warmer climates. Delivers great "real tomato" flavor. Best for slicing, sandwiches, salads, & fresh eating. 64 days to maturity. Fruit size 8-10 oz. Type: Indeterminate.



Mountain Fresh Plus Tomato

Highly popular tomato. Smooth & firm skin, resistant to cracking. Ideal for slicing, sandwiches, & canning. Described as having a balanced "sweet yet tangy" flavor. Well suited for container or garden planting. 79 days to maturity. Fruit size 8-16 oz. Type: Determinate.



Park's Whopper Tomato

Improved hybrid tomato. Very sweet, meaty, juicy & flavorful. Beautiful big tasty red tomatoes. Excellent for salads, burgers & sandwiches. Crack resistant. Inherent resistance to diseases & soil pests. Typically, can yield 60-80 pounds of fruit per plant. 65 days to maturity. Fruit size up to 4" in diameter. Type: Indeterminate.

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Rutgers Tomato

Popular all-purpose variety that is ideal for canning. Bright red fruits with heavy walls. Ripens evenly from the inside out. Attractive, old-time favorite with full-bodied flavor. Disease resistance. 75 days to maturity. Fruit size 4-7 oz. Type: Determinate.

TOMATOES - LARGE/EXTRA LARGE (12-24 oz)



Beefmaster Tomato

One of the most popular hybrid beefsteak types. Solid, meaty, bright red tomatoes weigh up to 2 lbs. each. Improved disease resistance, better yields & larger fruits with a good tolerance to cracking. Intermediate resistance to nematodes. 80 days to maturity. Fruit size up to 2 lbs. Type: Indeterminate.



Better Boy Plus Tomato

An improved hybrid beefsteak tomato known for high yields of juicy red fruits with enhanced disease resistance. Features a higher Brix value (6.5) for better sweetness. Ideal for slicing, sauces & canning. 80 days to maturity. Fruit size 10-16 oz. Type: Indeterminate.



Burpee's Big Boy Tomato

A hybrid tomato with a superb flavor. Bright red, firm & meaty. It is large & crack-free & features smooth blemish-resistant skin. 78 days to maturity. Fruit size 10 oz- 1 lb. Type: Indeterminate.

PEPPERS - BELL CATEGORY



Baron Hybrid Pepper

A high-yield, early maturing hybrid known for its thick-walled, blocky fruits that turn from green to brilliant red. Ideal for stuffing, roasting or eating raw. 68-72 days to maturity. Fruit size 4" block.



Big Red Pepper

A popular, high-yielding, open-pollinated **heirloom** variety known for producing large thick walled, 3-4 lobed fruits that turn from green to sweet juicy red. Great for containers. 75-90 days to maturity. Fruit size 4-6 oz.



California Wonder 300 Pepper

A popular, open-pollinated, **heirloom**-type sweet bell pepper. Known for producing heavy, thick walled, blocky fruits. Ideal for stuffing, salads & roasting. Matures from green to deep red. 72-76 days to maturity. Fruit size 4-5" long.



Chablis Hybrid Pepper

A highly disease resistant, early-maturing hybrid bell pepper that produces thick-walled, sweet fruits. Transitions from ivory to orange & finally deep scarlet red. Good for container gardening. Ideal for salads & stuffing. 60-65 days to maturity. Fruit size 4" x 3".

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PEPPERS - SWEET CATEGORY (non Bell)



Banana Sweet Pepper

Mild, tangy chili peppers, typically bright yellow & banana-shaped. They ripen from green to orange to red. Popular pickled for sandwiches, pizzas & salads. May also be used fresh, stuffed or cooked in various dishes. 60-70 days to maturity. Fruit size 4-8" long.



Cornito Rosso Sweet Pepper

Bright red pepper known for its sweetness. Ideal for grilling, roasting or eating raw. Perfect for snacking, salads or cooking. Highly productive and early maturing. 60-80 days maturity: ready to harvest in 60 days when green in color & 80 days when red in color. Fruit size 5" long.



Cubanelle Sweet Pepper

Known for its mild fruity flavor, thin walls & versatility in cooking, especially for frying, roasting & stuffing. May be harvested when light green or yellow-green but will turn red when fully ripe. 62-70 days to maturity. Fruit size 4-6" elongated taper.



Giant Marconi Pepper

Sweet pepper that produces a smoky tasting flavor. Good for grilling, roasting & stuffing. Turns from green to bright red upon maturity. 62-80 days to maturity. Fruit size 6-8" long.



Jimmy Nardello Sweet Pepper

A rare sweet Italian **heirloom** frying pepper. Rich fruity flavor, thin skin & a long slender shape. Turns bright red when mature. Ideal for frying, grilling or eating raw. Produces a non-spicy, buttery taste. 75-85 days to maturity. Fruit size 6-10" long.



Lesya Sweet Pepper

Ukrainian **heirloom** renowned for its exceptional sweetness; may be the sweetest pepper in the world. Thick, juicy flesh & distinctive heart shape. Culinary uses include eating raw as snacks, stuffing & roasting or preserving. Can be pickled or dried & ground into a sweet, smoky paprika powder. 75-85 days to maturity. Fruit size 3-4", rounded shoulders & comes to a point.



Melrose Sweet Pepper

Sweet Italian **heirloom** specifically prized for frying & roasting due to its thin skin, high yield & rich sugary flavor. Ideal for home gardens & container planting. Excellent for frying in olive oil. Maturity: 55 days to green, 70-75 days to red. Fruit size 4".

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PEPPERS - HOT CATEGORY



Anaheim Pepper

A popular, easy to grow chili pepper known for its mild heat & versatility in cooking. Produces long green peppers that turn red when fully mature. Thrives in full sun & warm weather. Often grown as annuals but can be perennials in warmer zones (9-10). Thick walled fruit used for chile rellenos, soups & stews. Continuous yielding through summer if nighttime temperatures aren't higher than 90 degrees. 500-2,500 Scovilles. 75-80 days to maturity. Fruit size 6-10".



Chili Pequin Pepper

A small hot chili pepper native to Southwest U.S. Known for its citrusy, nutty flavor & significant heat. Produces tiny, oblong, red peppers that are popular dried or fresh, in sauces & a favorite of birds. Drought-tolerant & adaptable to sun or shade. 40,000-60,000 Scovilles. 60-90 days to maturity. Fruit size: tiny & oblong.



Craig's Grande Jalapeño Pepper

A delicious, fat jalapeño that is perfect for making salsas. Thick flesh, good for stuffing, roasting, drying, pickling or using fresh. Matures from green to red when they are the hottest. 5,000-8,000 Scovilles. 70 days to maturity. Fruit size 3" x 4" jumbo.



Cowhorn (Cayenne) Pepper

Tapered, thick-walled, cayenne peppers that have a curled horn shaped. Mature from green to bright red. Great for stuffing, roasting, drying, pickling or using fresh. 5,000-8,000 Scovilles. 75 days to maturity. Fruit size 6-9".



New Mexico (Hatch) Chile Pepper

Sweet & smoky, used green or red with varieties ranging from mild to hot. Long thick-walled peppers used in dishes like chile rellenos & salsas. Good source of vitamins A, C & E, potassium & calcium. Green: 500-1,500 Scovilles, 75-85 days to maturity. Red: 1,500-2,500 Scovilles, 85-100 days to maturity. Fruit size: 7" long.



NuMex Spice Jalapeño Mix

Combination of three different types of jalapeños: lemon spice jalapeño, pumpkin spice jalapeño & orange spice jalapeño. Pumpkin is the mildest & orange is the hottest. Each seedling is one of the three varieties but until the jalapeño matures to its final color, the type is unknown. Pumpkin 20,000-25,000 Scovilles, Lemon 25,000 Scovilles, Orange 80,000 Scovilles. 65 days to maturity. Fruit size 2-3"



Serrano Chili Pepper

Whether picked green or red, when fully mature it is very spicy. A vigorous plant with a 2" thin-walled fruit. Perfect for pickling, chili sauce, salsa & hot pepper vinegar. 10,000-20,000 Scovilles. 70-85 days to maturity. Fruit size 2" long.

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Tabasco Pepper

This **Heirloom** pepper is used to make Louisiana's famous, extra-hot Tabasco sauce. Easily harvested fruits ripen from yellow-green to orange to red. Vigorous & productive. Suitable for containers or gardens. Yields abundantly until frost. Requires consistent watering & well-drained soil. Harvest when peppers are fully red to encourage continuous production. 30,000-50,000 Scovilles. 80 days to maturity. Fruit size 1½" long.



Thai Chili Pepper

Among the hottest peppers in the world, they are used in Southeast Asian cuisine. Also used fresh as a garnish or added to soups, sauces & stir-fries. Described as earthy & fruity with notes of citrus & cumin. Full sun. 50,000-100,000 Scovilles. 65-90 days to maturity. Fruit size 2-3" long.

HERBS



Arugula

Fast-growing leafy vegetable grown as a flavorful salad green. Tart & peppery flavor, great for pesto or a pizza garnish. Cold-season vegetable, plant in the early spring or late summer. Annual. Grows to 1' tall. Full sun, partial shade. Loam, moist, well-drained soil.



Basil, Amethyst

Upright, bushy herb with edible deep purple leaves. Intense sweet classic flavor. Use in flavored vinegar, garnishes or in salads. Slow to bolt. Annual. Full sun. Grows to 16-24" tall. Keep well watered.



Basil, Cardinal

A delicious, fragrant culinary basil that produces huge, rich purple flower heads. Perfect for salads, soups & curries. Strong, spicy flavor with hints of anise. Full sun. Grows to 30" tall & 18" wide. Moist, well-drained soil.



Basil, Everleaf Lemon

Sweet, bright lemon flavor & scent, mild enough for grilled fish or shrimp. Use fresh in pasta, vegetables, soups & sauces. Slow to bolt. Grows to 20-24" tall. Full sun. Average water needs & well-drained soil.



Basil, Holy (Tulsi)

Bubble gum scent. Frost-tolerant & fast-growing. Known for its use in Hindu culture. A common ingredient in Thai cuisine & in teas. Flowers are a bee magnet. Grows to 16-22" tall. Sun/partial shade. Well-drained humus soil. Consistent moisture.



Basil, Lime

Sweet & fragrant with a mild citrus taste. Use in stir fry, fish & poultry dishes. Matches well with tomato-flavored dishes, pasta sauces & vegetables. Full sun to partial shade. Keep well-watered & mulched. Pinch back to encourage branching & leaf production.

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Basil, Sweet

Aromatic leaves excellent with tomatoes, lamb & mild vegetables. Good for growing in containers. To harvest the leaves, pinch the stems just above a set of leaves. Annual. Full sun. Grows to 12-18" tall. Keep well-watered.



Basil, Thai Thai

Spicy flavor reminiscent of anise & cloves. Goes well in stir-fries & many other Asian dishes. Has large 3-inch leaves & is slow to bolt. Annual. Moist, rich, well-drained soil. Grows to 18-20" tall.



Borage

Large plants bear hundreds of small blue edible flowers with mild cucumber flavor. Attracts bees & butterflies. A good companion plant for tomatoes, squash & strawberries. Annual. Grows to 18-30" tall. Full sun. Average, semi-moist, well-drained soil.



Cilantro

Salsa essential! Use pungent leaves in Asian & Mexican dishes. Can bolt & start to flower when it gets hot. Annual. Grows to 24" tall. Full sun. Average, semi-moist, well-drained soil.



Cilantro, Cruiser

Has a tidy, upright plant habit & excellent bolt resistance. Large leaves & sturdy stems. Delicious in salsas & a staple in Mexican & Asian cuisine. Annual. Grows to 20" tall. Full sun. Average, semi-moist, well-drained soil.



Dill, Bouquet

Highly aromatic with large, yellow flower heads. Use leaves to flavor dishes or seed clusters to make dill pickles. Annual. Morning sun & afternoon shade. Grows to 26-36" tall. Average water needs.



Dill, Fernleaf

Shorter variety dill with slender stems & delicate leaves. Ideal for containers. Will attract black swallowtail butterflies & their larvae. Harvest any time. Grows to 18-24" tall. Morning sun. Rich, well-drained soil. Consistent moisture.



Dill, Mammoth

Frilly & flavorful. Snip leaves for salads, dips & seafood. Harvest seeds to flavor breads & pickles. Doesn't like heat. Annual, cold hardy. Morning sun & afternoon shade. Average water needs. Grows to 2-4' tall.



Fenugreek (Methi)

Cultivated worldwide. Seeds & leaves are used in cooking in Indian & Asian cuisine. Maple syrup-like flavor. Used in curry, dal, pickles & spice mixes. Use fresh or dried. Cut frequently & let regrow to harvest again. Average, well-draining soil. Full sun to partial shade. Water to keep it moist.

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Parsley, Curly

Dark green, curly leaves. Use in salads, casseroles & omelets or as a decorative garnish. Biennial herb. An easy, fast grower. Full sun or partial shade. Grows to 12-16" tall.



Sage, Broad Leaf

Fragrant grey-green herb with oblong leaves & purple flowers. Use in soups, stuffing, & meat dishes. Full sun & hot weather. Well-drained, moderately dry soil. Grows to 12-24" tall. Harvest leaves when young.



Salad Burnet

Clean, cucumber-like flavor. Use in salads, dips, soups & vinegars. Easy-growing plant that appears early in the season & holds up well in the heat. Perennial. Grows to 10-24" tall & 1-2' wide. Full sun to partial shade. Semi-moist, well-drained soil.



Thyme, Common

Flavorful Mediterranean herb used in many world cuisines. Pairs well with garlic, olive oil & tomatoes. Perennial. Full Sun. Grows to 6-12" tall. Sandy, loamy soil. Does not require much fertilizer or water.

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Bluebonnets

Plant in full sun (8-10 hours) in well-draining soil. Try planting in raised beds, whiskey barrels or clay pots. Don't bury the crown or the plant may rot. Fertilizer is not required but may help produce abundant blooms. Remove old blossoms to make plant bloom longer. Control pill bugs with bait. Water plants only when top one inch of soil is dry...don't overwater. Very drought tolerant.