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1994 Cromwell Bridge Road, Baltimore, MD 21234

TOMATO

SUPERBUSH DTM 70

These scrumptious hybrid tomatoes are specially bred for abundant yields on space saving 2 1/2 to 3 foot plants. They are perfect for growing in large pots and patio containers. Super Bush bears juicy fruits with full-sized sweet tomatoey flavor, not bland or watery like so many other bush varieties. It's a treat to walk out the back door and pick them still warm from the sun. A perfect way to enjoy the incomparable flavor of vine-ripe tomatoes even when you have limited garden space.

CRIMSON CARMELLO

Bred in France especially for fresh eating, plump Crimson Carmellos will satisfy all your tomato fantasies. The round red juicy fruits have the perfect sweet to acid balance that translates to exquisite taste. Big 4 to 5 inch Carmellos are borne in abundance on vigorous disease resistant and widely adapted indeterminate vines. Savor their sun warmed sweet flesh sliced fresh from the garden, in salads, pastas or wherever you crave rich tomato flavor.

ROMA SAUCE POMPEII

Imported from Italy where tomato breeding is a passion, the tall productive vines of Pompeii load up early with heavy clusters of big elongated plum tomatoes with rich flavored meaty flesh. This great tasting, traditional "Roma" type tomato has been endowed with new hybrid vigor and disease resistance for heavy harvests over a long season. You'll fill baskets with delicious fruit to use fresh or simmer in thick tasty sauces with plenty to can or freeze to warm up winter's kitchen.

VIOLET JASPER OR TZI BI U TOMATO

When these little Oriental jewels ripen, your eyes will be stunned with color. They have pretty violet-purple fruit with iridescent green streaks! Fruit weighs 1-3 ounces, is smooth and has good tasting, dark purplish-red

flesh. This variety will also amaze you with its incredibly high yield, being one of the most productive tomatoes we have grown. A great variety for marketing. Introduced to you from China.

GERMAN LUNCHBOX TOMATO DTM 80

This heirloom was brought into the seed store a few years ago by a local gentleman who had been saving this tomato for many years. His family brought this variety to the U.S. when they immigrated here. The fruit is the size of a small egg, vibrant pink, sugar sweet, and begging to be eaten.

Perfectly sized for salads or putting in the lunchbox! A favorite!

SUNRISE BUMBLEBEE DTM 70

Chefs love the luminous swirls of reds and oranges, inside the fruit and out! Everyone loves the sweet, fruity taste, too! Oblong little fruit weighs barely an ounce, and sometimes shows a pronounced beak at the blossom end.

Another member of the incredible new 'Artisan' series.

PINK BUMBLEBEE DTM 60-70

A stunning cherry tomato, of recent breeding from Artisan Seeds. The fruit has a bright, sweet flavor, and the color is vibrant fire-engine-red with golden orange striping. Vigorous vines yield crack resistant fruit over a very long season. Tolerates cool nighttime temps and hot days. Salad will never be the same!

Add a JUJUBE CHERRY DTM 75

Here is a wonderful red grape tomato from our friend, Reinard Kraft, of Germany. Fruit is produced in long clusters, each one being about the size and shape of a jumbo olive. The crisp fruit is delightfully refreshing and is perfect for snacking.

ORANGE ICICLE

Sweet, rich and flavorful with strong citrus overtones made this Jere's favorite eating variety last season. He just couldn't get enough of the sweet, luscious, glowing orange icicle-like fruit that is like an extra long paste tomato. This variety also makes a lovely orange ketchup and a superb salsa. It was a definite winner, and plants were quite productive. In our opinion, this is some of Ukraine's finest tomato breeding. Fruit has relatively few seeds.

COUR DI BUE 70 DTM

A wonderful, Oxheart-type heirloom has been a favorite in Italy for many years. Beautiful, 12-oz, heart-shaped fruit has a delicious sweet taste. Great for fresh eating or cooking. Large vigorous vines. One of the best tasting tomatoes, these have perfect flavor! Hard to find and so beautiful looking.

PERON DTM 70

(Also known as Peron Sprayless) Compact, semi-determinate vines are fairly disease resistant. Deep-red, dual-purpose canning and slicing sort. Smooth, slightly oblate fruit is very dense-fleshed and meaty, and show very little core. Skins are very thick and tough, simplifying peeling when processing, and making the crack-resistant fresh fruits keep extremely well. Fruit runs 3-6 ounces; flavor is very good, and sweet enough for fresh use as well. Developed prior to 1954 by Prof. Abelardo Piovano of Argentina.

CHEROKEE PURPLE 90 DTM

An old Cherokee Indian heirloom, pre-1890 variety; beautiful, deep, dusky purple-pink color, superb sweet flavor, and very-large-sized fruit. Try this one for real old-time tomato flavor. Our favorite dark tomato and one of our best selling varieties.

SUBARCTIC PLENTY DTM 50

Determinate. One of the very earliest tomatoes, the compact plants produce lots of 2-oz red fruit. One of the best for cool conditions and will set fruit in lower temperatures than most. It has even been grown in the Southern Yukon. Developed by Dr. Harris, Beaverlodge Research Station, Alberta, Canada.

HENDERSON'S PINK PONDEROSA 85 DTM

Huge size, some over 2 lbs; a meaty pink-red beefsteak introduced by Peter Henderson & Co. in 1891, and the most famous of their varieties. In 1903 their catalog said "Quality Beyond Praise, Rich and meaty-sliced. Thick and delicious canned." Still popular with gardeners.

MATT'S WILD CHERRY 60 DTM

The wild tomato with great flavor. These small, 5 gm. cherry tomatoes are deep red, have a tender, smooth texture, and sweet, full flavor. High sugar content. Though the flavor is superior, it doesn't yield as well as modern varieties, and the fruits are soft.

Fantastic in salsa and for fresh eating. Some resistance to early blight and late blight. Indeterminate.

MOSKVICH 60 DTM

One of the most appealing extra-early tomatoes. Fruits are early, deep red, and cold tolerant. Rich flavor. Smooth and globe-shaped. 4-6 oz. with a small stem scar. Indeterminate.

MINIBEL 65 DTM

(Container)Determinate. Bite-sized fruit is sweet and flavorsome. Tiny ornamental plants reach only to about a foot in height and require no support. Covered in tasty little tomatoes. Excellent choice for containers, pots or hanging baskets; pretty enough for the patio or deck. So cute!

JERSEY DEVIL DTM 90

Pendulant, pointed, pepper-like fruit is slow to set on but yield very heavily. 5-6-inch, ruby-red, paste-type fruit is very meaty and have but few seeds. Incredible flavor. This variety was another pillar of the New Jersey tomato industry, and is an ancestor to "Jersey Giant."

MR STRIPEY 80 DTM

Pretty, sweet-tasting 1 lb. fruits with a high sugar content. Mr. Stripey's mild, sweet-tasting fruits have a high sugar content and grow to over 1 lb. each. Pretty and luscious, this tomato has rich yellow undertones covered with pinkish-red striping. Indeterminate.

Add a SWEET 100 DTM 70

Scarlet, cherry-sized tomatoes produce long clusters right up to frost. Cherry tomatoes bursting with sugary flavor. The scarlet, cherry-sized fruits are produced in long pendulous clusters right up to frost. Grow on stakes or a fence.

KANGAROO PAW YELLOW DTM 75

Determinate. 'Kangaroo Paw Yellow' is a mid season variety with plants that are vigorous, prolific, uniform, compact dwarf in habit with rugose, regular leaf foliage. The fruits are round to flattened-globe in shape, two to eight ounces in weight, and are bright yellow in color when ripe and very tasty.

POMPEII ROMA DTM 76

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PEPPERS

YELLOW MONSTER PEPPER DTM 90

Gigantic, behemoth elongated yellow bell peppers can grow 8 inches long by 4 inches wide! These impressive peppers are really sweet, meaty and wonderful; so pretty after they turn from green to bright sunshine-yellow. These are great fresh, fried or roasted, so you will be happy the plants produce plenty of these colossal beauties.

CORNO DI TORO 78 DTM

Delicious Italian frying peppers. An early, productive, and great-tasting duo. Bred to create an eye-catching display at market, we created this pair with striking color contrast and matching silhouettes. Carmen and Escamillo represent a burgeoning pepper class for market growers: the Corno di Toro or “bull’s horn” pepper type. Our breeding work on carmine-red ‘Carmen’ was inspired by the fiery gypsy in the French opera of the same name. Carmen soon took the market by storm for its earliness, dependability, and great flavor. We quickly set to work breeding a companion, golden ‘Escamillo,’ which matches Carmen in flavor and beauty. Versatile and tasty any way you eat them — raw, cooked, sliced, diced, sautéed, stuffed, and especially fire-roasted, which caramelizes the sugars and elevates them to a whole new level of delicious! Both AAS award-winning peppers were bred by retired Johnny’s breeder and AAS Breeder’s Cup award winner Janika Eckert.

KING ARTHUR 79 DTM

For early production of large green or red bells. Plants are large and early to bear big crops of large, thick walled fruits. Widely adapted. High resistance to bacterial leaf spot races 1, 2 and potato virus Y. Avg. 3,600 seeds/oz.

BIG DADDY 73 DTM

Plant produces good yields of huge 10" long sweet peppers. Peppers have thick walls and turn from green to a glossy golden yellow when mature. Excellent for grilling, frying, or stuffing! Try to impress your neighbor by growing a Giant Pepper! Excellent choice for home gardens and Farmer’s Markets.

KING OF THE NORTH 57 Green, 79 Red DTM

Reliable set of green to glossy red fruits in short seasons. Improved for a higher percentage of blocky, thick-walled, early ripening peppers each with three to four lobes. Known for its ability to produce good sized peppers in short, cool seasons. Strong plants support heavy yields. Early. Upright habit. 3-4" fruits.

LIVELY ITALIAN ORANGE 100 DTM

High quality OP with uniform, juicy orange fruits.

Thick-walled, bright orange fruits make a beautiful OP market display combined with Stocky Red Roaster and Lively Italian Yellow. Impressed us with its ability to set fruit, size up and ripen; large plants loaded with fruit competed well with hybrids in our northern Vermont trials. Bred by Tom Lively of Eugene, OR and further selected by High Mowing. Italian-type. 6-8" fruits.

MAGNUM HABANERO 100 DTM

Typical lantern shape with shiny bright orange color. Uniform and productive. Scoville rating of 210,000 units.

ANCHO POBLANO 88 DTM

Mild heart-shaped chili perfect for stuffing in chiles rellenos or dried for ancho chili powder. Stout dark green fruits are moderately spicy with medium-thick walls. Referred to as Poblano when used fresh and Ancho when dried for seasoning. Plants are well branched. Well adapted variety; good yields in cool conditions. SHU 3,00. 4-6" fruits.

JOE E PARKER 88 DTM

Southwestern style traditional Anaheim harvested green for stuffing, grilling, roasting or processing. Peppers average 8" long and have thick, crisp flesh with mild heat and excellent flavor. Very productive strain that quickly changes from green to red. Improved version of New Mexico 6-4 pepper, with thicker, longer fruits that mature earlier. Anaheim SHU 4,500. 8" fruits.

SWEET PEPPER PIZZA MY HEART

(Container) These heavy, thick-walled, cone-shaped little peppers have a crunchy texture and sweet flavor with an occasional bit of mild spice to savor. Try the crisp, juicy, 3 1/2 inch peppers sliced up to top pizza, added to fresh salads, grilled to succulence on the BBQ or just eat them out of hand like an apple — they are that good! Pizza My Heart pepper plants are compact and produce early, prolific harvests — perfect for containers or in garden beds.

SHISITO 70 DTM

A favorite old Japanese variety which produces 3 inches long, slightly wrinkled fruit that is perfect for making tempura and other traditional recipes. Fruit is emerald green in color, ripening to red, and mildly flavored with just a bit of spice. It really is superb and is the standard with many chefs.

ORANGE SPICE JALAPENO 80 DTM

(NuMex) A colorful new “heirloom” introduced by New Mexico State University. This vibrant, tangerine-orange variety was bred using natural back-crossing techniques, resulting in an extra rich tasting and super eye-catching fruit. The NuMex series was created in response to Americans’ increasing appreciation for eating a rainbow of nutrition. Super ornamental and extremely prolific, these have a wonderful fruity-citrus taste and are packed with nutrition, and are only moderately spicy.

JAMAICA SCOTCH BONNET

An heirloom treasure from Jamaica, this pepper is fruity and full bodied, providing the backbone of countless Caribbean delicacies. Named for the unique shaped fruits which resemble famous “tam o shanter” Scottish hat. Our Jamaican scotch bonnets are produced by our resident horticulturist and pepper lover, Richie Ramsay, at his farm in Jamaica. He tells us that it is critical for the vinegar sauce in Jamaican Escovitch (escabeche). The thick walls of the pepper are well suited to long cooking times for making jerks and curries.

JALAPENO

Vigorous plants produce a 4 ½” thin walled, dark green fruits that ripen to a bright red. Harvest 75 days after transplanting.

OTHER VEGGIES

KALE GREEN CURLS

This outstanding new kale is bred for great nutty flavor, tender texture and compact size. Green Curls tops out at about 15 inches tall, so it shines in pots and containers, a true “ornamental edible” for any size garden. The tightly ruffled, pretty deep blue-green leaves have nearly stemless stalks and plants size up early for multiple harvests of fresh leaves. Flavor is excellent; mild and nutty, perfect for vitamin rich fresh salads or enjoy simply braised, sautéed or steamed.

GREEN FLASH COLLARDS

Easy to grow Green Flash forms dense, 18 inch tall rosettes of thick, tender, big paddle-shaped leaves. This top-notch variety offers uniformity, vigor, high yields and bolt resistance for rapid regrowth and longer, more dependable harvests. Cut the handsome leaves often to enjoy their flavorful, sweet taste as succulent cooked greens. Mild, nutty-tasting collards are one of the most fiber and vitamin-rich vegetables you can grow in your home garden.

AMAZING TASTE CAULIFLOWER

This outstanding variety yields dense, 6 to 7 inch, dome-shaped heads with tender, creamy-white curds and superb mild, nutty-sweet flavor. These top quality hybrid plants grow quickly, producing strong outer wrapper leaves that protect both the quality and color of the developing cauliflowers for harvestable heads extra early in the season. The heads are delicious whether cut up raw in salads, quickly steamed, or tossed with olive oil and roasted to nutty perfection.

PORTUGUESE KALE Tronchuda Beira

Tender, sweet and much more heat tolerant than other kales, this delicious specialty kale comes directly from Portugal where it is a center stage vegetable beloved for its mild but rich flavor and easy culture. Portuguese kale forms 12 to 18 inch tall heads of paddle-shaped, deep blue-green leaves. This vigorous variety offers long continuous harvests. We find it one of the best tasting, most nutritious greens to grow and enjoy throughout the season.

PIXIE BABY CABBAGE

Our space-saving, early maturing baby cabbage variety quickly forms compact, dense little 5 inch heads, a perfect size for everyday meals. The tightly packed, crispy green heads have a delicious sweet flavor. Enjoy out of hand or chopped for salads or tacos, sautéed with ginger and soy sauce or a bit of butter and a pinch of caraway or cumin seed. Strong growing Pixie can take both heat or frosty weather so you can plant several times each season.

BROCCOLI ALL SEASON BLEND

We've mixed equal amounts of seed for these great tasting, high-yielding hybrid varieties with early, mid and late season maturities for the longest possible harvests. Plant and grow them together and you'll be enjoying their sweet blue-green spears for weeks as they ripen in succession. We've chosen cultivars for flavorful, extra fancy, tightly beaded main heads and abundant side shoots. All three have excellent disease resistance and weather tolerance.

LISTADA DI GANDIA EGGPLANT 90 DTM

One of the most popular heirloom types, this one has 7-inch long fruit that is white with lovely bright purple stripes. They are so beautiful and have fabulous flavor with sweet, tender flesh. This excellent variety hails from Spain, a country that is renowned for fine food.

LITTLE FINGER EGGPLANT 65 DTM

Small, purple-black fruit is produced in clusters on sturdy, compact plants. The blunt-ended fruit may be harvested when finger-sized, but may also be allowed to grow larger with no sacrifice of its mild, sweet taste and tender texture.

BLACK BEAUTY EGGPLANT 90 DTM

Standard old type, large black fruit of excellent quality. Very tasty but is lower yielding and much later than many types and needs a long season.

GREEN FINGER CUCUMBER DTM 60 Days DISEASE RESISTANCES: PM, PRS, WMV, ZYMV. Thin, tender skin, crisp flesh and a small seed cavity. Green Finger blew away hybrids in our trials for quality and yield. Unusually durable for this type; no wrapping needed! A field or open tunnel variety bred by Cornell University; requires pollination for fruit set.

Beit Alphas are similar to European/Dutch types with the same ribbed skin but smaller. Gourmet Beit Alpha-type 6-8" fruit.

YELLOW CROOKNECK SUMMER SQUASH DTM 50 Days

Tender lemon-yellow fruits. Signature bent fruits are best harvested at 5-6" long or smaller for best flavor and texture. Our strain has been selected for yield, shape and quality. If left to overgrow, can be used for a dark yellow, warty ornamental gourd. Prolific yields. Harvest at 6".

FRUIT

MOON AND STARS WATERMELON DTM 100 Days

Extremely popular heirloom with sweet flavor and attractive yellow spots. Dark green rind and foliage are decorated with large yellow spots (moons) and smaller ones (stars). Flesh is dark red with excellent flavor and a thick protective rind. Large oblong fruits can grow to enormous sizes, up to 40 lbs. Requires warm temperatures to set fruit. Introduced in 1926 by the Henderson Seed Company. 10-15 lbs.

SUGAR BABY WATERMELON DTM 75 Days

Excellent short season variety with reliable yields of sweet, juicy melons. The standard for small watermelons! Perfectly rounded fruits range from 7-8.5" in diameter with a solid green rind and deep red flesh. Our strain has been selected for cool growing conditions and high yields.

DELIZZ STRAWBERRY

Plants showcase fruit on top, instead of hanging like other varieties. Large white flowers producing medium sized conical shaped fruit. AAS Winner. The go to series of strawberries for the combo of ornamental blooms and delicious edible fruit. From sow to sales of fruiting plants in as little as 3 months. These vigorous plants produce abundant aromatic fruit throughout the whole summer with the accent of the gorgeous blooms. Showcase in gallons and hanging baskets for great grab and go edible gardens.

HERBS

Lemongrass

Thyme

Sage

Gem Marigold

Lavender

Rosemary

Basil Sweet

Basil Mrs. Burns

Basil Dark Opal

Fennel

Bronze Fennel

Dill Bouquet

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