

Heirloom Tomatoes

An heirloom tomato is one that has been around for 50 years or more. They come in all colors, shapes and sizes. Back when flavor was the most important component, astute gardeners selected their favorites, saved the seed and passed them on to the next generation. Saved seed should come true.

*Key: Ind= Indeterminate, Det= Determinate,
S= Small, M= Medium, L= Large*

NAME	TYPE	Days to Maturity
42 DAYS	Det/M Slicer Compact, short season	40-50
ABRAHAM LINCOLN	Ind/M Slicer Heavy producer	87
ALICANTE	Ind/M Slicer Full bodied flavor	70
AMANA ORANGE	Ind/ L Slicer Huge, light orange	90
AMISH PASTE	Ind/M Sauce Sweet, meaty	78-85
ANNA RUSSIAN	Ind/L Slicer Large, pink, heart-shaped	70-75
ANANAS NOIR	Ind/ L Slicer Multicolor, sweet and smoky	85
AUNT RUBY'S GERMAN GREEN	Ind/L Slicer Moist, meaty, stays green	79
AUSSIE	Ind/L Slicer Glossy red, fluted	85
AUSTIN'S RED PEAR	Ind Cherry Full flavor, vigorous	80
AZOREAN RED	Ind/L Slicer Bold, complex beefsteak	75
AZOYCHKA	Ind/L Slicer Yellow-orange, citrusy	70
BANANA LEGS	Det/L Sauce Yellow, banana-shaped	75
BEAM'S YELLOW BEST PEAR	Ind Cherry Sweet, mild, delicious	71
BEEFSTEAK	Ind/L Slice Productive, sweet	85
BEEFSTEAK BUSH	Det/M Slicer Deep red, vigorous	62
BIG RAINBOW	Ind/L Slicer Mild, lumpy beefsteak	85
BIG ZAC	Ind/L Slicer Huge, luxurious flavor	80
BLACK	Ind/M Slicer Thin-skinned, vigorous	85
BLACK ETHIOPIAN	Ind/Plum Slicer Mahogany, rich, tangy	81
BLACK FROM TULA	Ind/L Slicer Flattened, rich, smoky	75
BLACK ICICLE	Ind/ L Sauce Purple-brown, earthy	85
BLACK KRIM	Ind/L Slicer Mahogany, very rich	75-90
BLACK PEAR	Ind/Pear Slicer Dark maroon, rich	78
BLACK PLUM	Ind/M Plum Mahogany, sweet, fruity	75
BLACK PRINCE	Ind/M Slicer Garnet, round, rich	70
BLACK SEA MAN	Det/L Slicer Mahogany, complex, rich	75

BLONDKOPFCHEN	Ind/S Cherry Sweet, crack-free	80
BOBBIE	Ind Heart-shaped, reddish-pink	75
BONNY BEST	Ind/M Slicer Smooth, meaty, acid	76
BOX CAR WILLIE	Ind/M Sauce Orange-red, prolific	80
BRANDYWINE	Ind/L Slicer Pink-red, sweet, spicy	78-85
BRANDYWINE RED LANDIS	Ind/L Slicer Deep red, round, delicious	80
BRANDYWINE YELLOW, PINK, BLACK	Ind/L Slicer Lobed, juicy, meaty	78-85
BRANDYWINE SUDDUTH	Ind/L Slicer Large, pink, intense	90
CAMP JOY	Ind/S Cherry Full flavor, productive	81
CARBON	Ind/M Slicer Large, dark, pretty	75
CASPIAN PINK	Ind/L Slicer Globe-shaped, pink-red	80
CHEROKEE CHOCOLATE	Ind/L Slicer Exceptional flavor	80
CHEROKEE GREEN	Ind/L Slicer Amber-green, exotic	85
CHEROKEE PURPLE	Ind/L Slicer Rose-purple, sweet, rich	72-80
CHOCOLATE PEAR	Ind Cherry Rich, sweet-tart	65-80
CHOCOLATE STRIPES	Ind/L Slicer Olive-striped mahogany	80
COPIA	Ind/L Slicer Gold/red stripes	85
COSMONAUT VOLKOV	Ind/L Slicer Complex, sweet-tart	72
COSTULUTO GENOVESE	Ind/L Slicer Deep red, sweet, juicy	78-85
DR.WYCHE YELLOW	Ind/L Slicer Smooth, gold, meaty	80
GARDEN PEACH	Ind/M Slicer Golden, fuzzy, very sweet	80
GARY IBSEN'S GOLD	Ind/L Slicer Brilliant orange, tropical	75
GERMAN	Ind/L Slicer Orange/red, tasty	77
GIANT OXHEART	Ind/L Slicer Heart-shaped, firm, meaty	90
GLACIER	Det/S Slicer Very early, flavorful	65
GOLD MEDAL	Ind/L Slicer Low acid, firm, smooth	74
GOLDEN JUBILEE	Ind/M Slicer Gold/orange, meaty	75
GREAT WHITE	Ind/L Slicer Beautiful, white/yellow	75
GREEN DOCTOR	Ind/S Cherry Sweet, spicy, productive	85
GREEN GIANT	Ind/L Slicer Lime green, high yield	85
GREEN GRAPE	Det/S Cherry Compact, full-flavored	70
GREEN PEAR	Ind/S Cherry Chartreuse, sweet, meaty	70-80
GREEN PINEAPPLE	Ind/L Slicer Olive/lime green, tropical	80

GREEN ZEBRA	Ind/M Slicer Striped green/amber, mild	72-80
HATTIE MAE	Ind/L Slicer Scarlet, sweet/acid	80-90
HAWAIIAN PINEAPPLE	Ind/L Slicer Gold, sweet and rich	90
HEART OF COMPASSION	Ind/L Slicer Heart-shaped, pink, meaty	85
HUNGARIAN HEART	Ind/L Slicer Gourmet pink, few seeds	85
INGEGNOLI GIGANTE	Ind/L Slicer Huge, late, classic taste	80-90
ISIS CANDY	Ind Cherry Red marbling, sweet	80-90
ITALIAN HEIRLOOM	Ind/L Slicer/Sauce Big, beautiful, classic	70-80
JAPANESE BLACK TRIFELE	Ind/M Pear Heavy yields, low crack	74
JAUNE FLAMME	Ind/M Slicer Bright orange, high-yield	80
JULIA CHILD	Ind/L Slicer Deep pink, robust	78
KELLOGG'S BREAKFAST	Ind/L Slicer Deep orange, juicy, tangy	80
KORALIK	Ind Cherry Complementary sweet/tart	60
LEMONY	Ind/L Slicer Luscious, sweet/tangy	85
MANITOBA	Det/M Slicer Crimson, high-yield	66
MARIANNA'S PEACE	Ind/L Slicer Rose red, creamy, firm	80
MARMANDE	Ind/L Slicer Lobed, scarlet, firm	68
MATT'S WILD CHERRY	Ind/S Cherry Red, very sweet	63
MATINA	Ind/M Slicer Early, exceptional	58
MEXICO	Ind/L Slicer Large, dark pink	80
MOONGLOW	Ind/M Slicer Orange, dense, good keeper	80
MORTGAGE LIFTER RED	Ind/L Slicer Classic, very meaty	95
MORTGAGE LIFTER YELLOW	Ind/L Slicer Mild, fruity flavor	90
MOSKOVICH	Ind/M Slicer Very early, cold tolerant	60
MOUNTAIN PRINCESS	Det/M Slicer Orange/red, mild	68
MR. STRIPEY	Ind/M Slicer Tangerine, tangy	56
NEBRASKA WEDDING	Det/M Slicer Deep orange, meaty, tasty	90
NEVES AZOREAN RED	Ind/L Slicer Deep red, bold, complex	75
NYAGOUS	Ind/M Cluster Firm, sweet, complex	76
ORANGE ICICLE	Ind/L Sauce Orange, sweet, citrus	85
ORANGE STRAWBERRY	Ind/L Slicer Gorgeous, orange, meaty	80
PACHINO	Ind/S Slicer Intensely flavorful, red	68-75

PANTANO ROMANESCO	Ind/L Slicer Deep red, rich, flavorful	75
PAUL ROBESON	Ind/M Slicer Sweet/tangy, crack-free	75
PERON	Ind/M Slicer Heavy yields, solid, meaty	72
PERSIMMON	Ind/L Slicer Yellow, luscious, productive	80
PINEAPPLE	Ind/L Slicer Attractive, tart, meaty	90
PINK ICICLE	Ind/M Sauce Bright pink, rich, sweet	75
PINK PING PONG	Ind/S Cherry Sweet, juicy, high yields	75
POLISH LINGUISA	Ind/L Sauce Oblong, firm, rich	73
PRINCIPE BORGHESE	Det/S Plum Productive, stores well	60-80
PRUDEN'S PURPLE	Ind/L Slicer Vivid pink/purple, creamy	67
PURPLE CALABASH	Ind/L Slicer Ruffled, purple, intense	80-90
RED CURRANT	Ind/S Cherry Vigorous, ruby red, abundant	75
RED HEART	Ind/M Slicer Heart-shaped, very flavorful	75-80
RED ZEBRA	Ind/L Slicer Striped red/gold, sweet	75-80
ROSE	Ind/L Slicer Large, meaty, great flavor	75-80
ROSSO SICILIAN	Det/M Sauce Firm, deeply ribbed	75-80
RUSSIAN 117	Ind/L Slicer Vermillion oxheart, tasty	90
SAN FRANCISCO FOG	Ind/M Cluster Bred for cooler areas	70
SAN MARZANO	Ind/L Sauce Mild, meaty, prolific	80
SARA'S GALAPAGOS	Ind Cherry Extra sweet, abundant	70-85
SASHA'S ALTAI	Det/M Slicer Thin-skinned, complex	57
SEATTLE'S BEST	Ind/M Plum Deep red, mild	78
SIBERIAN	Det/S Cluster Bred for cooler areas	52
SNOWBERRY	Ind/S Cherry Creamy yellow, flavorful	75
SNOW WHITE	Ind/S Cherry Pale yellow, fruity, sweet	70
STRIPED GERMAN	Ind/M Slicer Red/yellow, flat, ribbed	78
STRIPED ROMAN	Ind/L Sauce Red/yellow, elongated	85
STUPICE	Ind/M Slicer Ultra-early, cold tolerant	60-65
ST. PIERRE	Ind/M Slicer/Sauce Round, meaty, high acid	75-80
SUGAR LUMP	Ind/S Cherry Sweet, crack resistant	65
SUNSET'S RED	Ind/L Slicer Very early, flavorful, meaty	75
HORIZON		
TANGERINE	Det/M Bright orange, sweet, tangy	70
TAXI YELLOW	Det/M Slicer Compact plant, firm	64
TIFFEN MENNONITE	Ind/L Slicing Outstanding flavor, smooth	75-80

TIGERLIKE	Ind/M Slicer Brisk, tart flavor	72
TROPHY	Ind/M Slicer Mild, sweet	80
UKRANIAN PURPLE	Ind/M Plum Great flavor, sweet, meaty	80
VALENCIA	Ind/M Slicer Large, orange, smooth	76
VIOLET JASPER	Ind/S Striped purple, smooth	75
WHITE BEAUTY	Ind/M Slicer Creamy white, mild, sweet	85
WILD GALAPAGOS	Ind, S Cherry/Grape Intensely sweet, complex	70
YELLOW CUBAN	Ind, S Grape High yield, flavorful	85
YELLOW CURRANT	Ind, S Currant Very sweet, low acid	75
YELLOW ICICLE	Ind/M Sauce Elongated, sweet, fruity	75
YELLOW PEAR	Ind/S Pear Very productive, mild	70
YELLOW PERFECTION	Ind/S Slicer Bright, tangy, unique	75
ZAPOTEC RIBBED	Ind/M Slicer Heavily ribbed, dark pink	80

Some Useful Definitions:

Organic

The U.S.D.A. defines organic agricultural crops as: "produced and handled without the use of synthetic chemicals". They must "not be produced on land on which any prohibited substances, including synthetic chemicals, have been applied during the three years immediately preceding harvest of the agricultural products".

Heirloom

Some define an heirloom variety as having been in existence before the 1950s. This is when hybrids (crosses between heirloom varieties) were first commercially available.

Open Pollinated

All heirlooms are open pollinated (O.P.) but not all O.P.s are heirlooms. Many excellent O.P. varieties have been created since 1951 but they are not considered heirloom. Once a variety is stable (can be consistently grown from seed, reproducing the same plant characteristics) it can be called an O.P. variety.

Hybrid

Seeds saved from a hybrid will not grow "true" - that is, the plants will not be the same as the parent plant. Instead, they may resemble either parent or an even earlier variety. Neither hybrids nor plants created as genetically modified organisms (GMO) are considered heirlooms.

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