

Reynolda Gardens Tomato Sale 2016

Aunt Ruby's German Green Organic (ARGG)

(Solanum lycopersicum) Family heirloom from Ruby Amokl of Greeneville, Tennessee. Introduced to SSE in 1993 by Bill Minkey of Darien, Wisconsin. Large beefsteak fruits weigh one pound or more. Sweet juicy flesh with a hint of spiciness. Ready to harvest when soft to the touch and yellow-green in color. Indeterminate, 80-95 days from transplant.

Black Cherry (BC)

(Solanum lycopersicum) Plentiful clusters of juicy-sweet deep red tomatoes with a blackish hue. An heirloom too rarely encountered, this delectable variety fully merits a place in the garden and on the dinner table. Yields plentiful clusters of perfectly round 1" true cherry tomatoes that are deep red with a blackish hue. The flavor is rich, complex, juicy and sweet. Indeterminate.

Black from Tula (BFT)

(Solanum lycopersicum) Russian heirloom imported by SSE and offered to members in 1996. Made available commercially by SSE as part of the Russian Collection in 1998. Described by one SSE member as "the ugliest, most delicious tomato I've ever grown: Good yields of brownish-red slightly flattened globes weighing up to 14 ounces. Rich full flavor, great for slicing and canning. Indeterminate 75-85 days from transplant.

Black Krim (BK)

(Solanum lycopersicum) (aka Black Crimea) Found in Krim, Russia in 1990 by Lars Olov Rosenstrom of Bromma, Sweden. Beefsteak fruits are a unique combination of violet-brown and purple-red-they turn almost black with sufficient sunlight and heat. Excellent full flavor. Indeterminate, 70-90 days from transplant.

Black Sea Man (BSM)

(Solanum lycopersicum) A hardy Russian Heirloom that looks odd but tastes delicious. Rich, tangy tomato flavor in medium-sized 4 to 8 oz. fruits with brown-black skins and pink shoulders. Fruits are slightly plum-shaped, revealing skeleton-like veins when blanched and peeled. Short, potato leaf plants. Plant early for best results.

Brandywine (Sudduth's Strain) (BWP)

(Solanum lycopersicum) (aka Pink Brandywine) This strain was obtained by tomato collector Ben Quisenberry of Big Tomato Gardens in 1980 from Dorris Sudduth Hill whose family grew it for over 100 years. Large pink beefsteak fruits to 2 pounds. Incredibly rich, delightfully intense tomato flavor. Indeterminate, 90 days from transplant.

Cherokee Purple (CP)

(Solanum lycopersicum) Introduced by North Carolina SSE member Craig LeHoullier in 1991 from seed obtained from J.D. Green of Tennessee. Uniquely colored dusty rose-brown fruits weigh up to 12 ounces. Delicious sweet flesh. Indeterminate, 75-90 days from transplant.

Dester (D)

(Solanum lycopersicum) Winner of SSE's 2011 Tomato Tasting and runner-up in 2012. Donated to SSE by Missouri farmer Larry Pierce, who received his seeds from an Amish woman in Seymour, Missouri. She originally got her seeds from a doctor she worked for whose family had brought the seeds with them

from Germany. Luscious pink beefsteaks weighing up to one pound. Indeterminate, 70-80 days from transplant.

German Pink (GP)

(Solanum lycopersicum) One of the two original Bavarian heirlooms from Diane Whealy's family that started SSE. Potato leaf plants produce large 1-2 fruits. Meaty flesh with few seeds, very little cracking or blossom scars. Full sweet flavor. Excellent for canning, freezing and slicing. Indeterminate, 85 days from transplant.

Gold Medal (GM)

(Solanum lycopersicum) Introduced as Ruby Gold by John Lewis Childs of Floral New York, in his 1921 catalog. Ben Quisenberry renamed it Gold Medal and listed it in his 1976 catalog: "The sweetest tomato you ever tasted. The yellow with streaks of red makes them very attractive and a gourmet's joy when sliced: our finest bi-colored tomato-orange-yellow splashed with tomato pink. Winner of the 2008 SSE Tomato Tasting. Indeterminate, 75-90 days from transplant.

Mamie Brown's Pink (MBP)

(Solanum lycopersicum) Large pink beefsteak, flat to slightly heart shaped, double fruits are common. Meaty solid center, few seeds, unusual for a beefsteak tomato. Balanced sweet acidity flavor. Donated to the SSE in 1995 by Alicia Brown-Matthes of Iowa. This variety was a favorite of Alicia's grandmother, Mamie Brown.

Martino's Roma (MR)

(Solanum lycopersicum) Italian heirloom with pretty rugose (puckered) foliage. Very heavy set of mild 2-3 ounce fruits perfectly suited for making sauce, salsa, and paste. Tends to fall off the vine when fully ripe. Indeterminate, 75 days from transplant.

Mortgage Lifter (ML)

(Solanum lycopersicum) Kentucky family heirloom grown since the 1930s by three generations of James Haladay's family. In a trial of 25 Mortgage Lifter types, Halladay's produced the best crops of pound pink beefsteak fruits. Exceptionally meaty and typically crack-free. Great old-fashioned tomato flavor. Indeterminate, 80-90 days from transplant.

Silvery Fir Tree (SFT)

(Solanum lycopersicum) 58 days. An exceptional heirloom that ripens early and produces heavy crops on incomparably beautiful plants. Fire engine red fruit average 2-3 inches across with a slightly flattened shape and a very pleasant, tangy taste. The compact, determinate plants have delicate, ferny foliage and make elegant container specimens. Russian origins. aka Purple Russian) Plum shaped fruits are 3-4" long and weigh 6 ounces, generally crack-free. Great flavor, sweet and meaty. Plants are very productive. Indeterminate, 80 days from transplant.

Ukrainian Purple (UP)

(Solanum lycopersicum) (aka Purple Russian) Original stock of this variety came from Irma Henkel in the Ukraine. Plum shaped fruits are 3-4" long and weigh 6 ounces, generally crack-free. Great flavor, sweet and meaty. Plants are very productive. Indeterminate, 80 days from transplant.