



2018 Garfield Park Conservatory Alliance Seedling Sale Inventory



notes about all seedlings:

--Those highlighted in yellow are available in limited quantities.

--Container growing will be fine for most varieties, but make sure to move up to a much larger size pot than what they are in now. Those in blue type are best planted in ground or a raised bed.

--All varieties are annuals.

--All varieties require full sun (at least 6 hours of exposure per day) and will not grow successfully indoors.

FLOWERS

Alyssum White	Blooms all season long (white flowers). Stays low to ground. Sweet scented.
Alyssum Rosie O'Day	Blooms all season long (pink flowers). Stays low to ground. Sweet scented.
Bachelor's Button Dwarf Blend	Also known as cornflower. 1-2' tall. Long blooming red, white, pink, purple, and blue flowers. Can also be used in dried arrangements, and the flowers are edible. Blooms in summer.
Bachelor's Button Classic Romantic	Mix of single and semi doubleflowers on tall 3' plants. Flowers are decorative & edible.
Bells of Ireland	Heirloom favorite in cottage gardens. Tall candelabra-like spires densely covered in apple-green, shell-shaped florets. Long-blooming flowers with a grassy, meadowsweet scent are easy to air dry for year-round arrangements.
Cosmos Sensation Mix	3-6' tall. Large dark pink, light pink, and white flowers. Blooms summer to fall.
Marigold Crackerjack	Large 4" blooms in orange, gold and lemony yellow. Mounding form with consistent height and sturdy flower stalks. Make radiant, long lasting cut flowers.
Marigold Tangerine Gem	Petite flowers on low mounds of lacy foliage with a citrusy scent. Long-blooming; attracts beneficial insects. Leaves and flower petals are edible (remove petals from the flower base; the flower base can be bitter).
Nasturtium Empress of India	Grown in the US since the 1890s. Hardy annual, grows to 12-14" tall, bright crimson flowers on dark blue-green leaves. Flowers and leaves are edible.
Nasturtium Jewel Mix	Stays low to ground. Another great pest inhibitor. Delicate yellow, orange, and yellow flowers. Both flowers and leaves are edible, with a peppery spice flavor.

Nasturtium Trailing Mix	Flowers in red, rose, orange and yellow. Perfect for hanging baskets, containers or as a ground cover. Flowers and leaves are edible. Immature seed heads can be pickled.
Sunflower Lemon Queen	Produces many blooms with large lemon-yellow petals and dark chocolate centers. Sturdy plants grow up to 10' tall.
Sunflower Teddy Bear	Beautiful double 4-6" golden-yellow blooms are great for cut flowers. Dwarf plants that grow only 18-24" tall. Great for containers.
Zinnia California Giants	3-5' tall, blooms summer through fall. Long lasting yellow, blue, orange, and pink flowers. Plentiful flowers multiply even more when some are cut and taken off the plant!
Zinnia Cut & Come Again	Sturdy, vigorous plants that bloom continuously for months. Blooms are 2-3" in a variety of colors: cream, salmon, pink, scarlet, yellow, magenta, crimson and orange.
Zinnia Fine Blend	Long lasting flowers that are easy to grow and love the heat. Attract many pollinators.
Zinnia Solar Flare	Long lasting flowers that are easy to grow and love the heat. Big 4-5" blooms in hot orange and sunny yellow. Attract many pollinators.

HERBS

Basil Blue Spice	Super fragrant with vanilla overtones. Vigorous plant with dense spikes of light purple flowers. Great in fruit salads and savory dishes.
Basil Italian Large Leaf	Same flavor as classic Genovese basil, but super-sized crinkly leaves. When delicate white flowers appear, keep pinching them off to extend the time you can harvest the leaves (they get tougher and more bitter flavor after flowering).
Basil Thai Siam Queen	Very strong, clove scented basil. A must for Thai cooking and curries. Produces very large and lovely flower heads.
Basil Tulsi (Holy)	Popular herb for Thai cuisine. Fragrant purplish-green leaves with a clove-like flavor. Can be used in herbal teas to combat stress and boost immunity.
Chamomile	Annual plant, grows to 12-20" with fragrant, daisy like flowers that can grow to 1". Good for herbal tea.

Cilantro (Sabor)	Fine stems, leafy, slow bolting.
Dill Tetra	Warm season annual. This is a bushy, late flowering variety that is heat tolerant. Can grow 30-36" tall.
Parsely (Italian Large Leaf)	Heirloom Italian variety with large, flat glossy leaves. Sweet & mellow flavor.

LEAFY GREENS (Harvest will be sooner for seedlings over 4 inches.)

Collard Greens Georgia Southern	60-80 days. Historic variety dates to 1880. Slow to bolt, tolerates heat, cold and poor soil. Non-heading plants grow 2-3' tall with large blue-green leaves that are tender, mild and juicy.
Kale Toscano	30 days, baby, 65 days full size. Italian heirloom. Lacinato or "dinosaur" type. Leaves do not curl but are heavily blistered. Rich, tender leaves with a softer texture than curly green kale. Tolerates heat and cold.
Kale Winterbor (Hybrid)	60 days. Curly leaves. Plants grow 2-3' tall. Cold hardy. Will continue to produce leaves for successive harvest as the lower leaves are harvested.
Kale Siberian	25 days baby, 50 days full size. Curly leaves. Tender blue-green leaves. Tall, vigorous and high-yielding plants.
Lettuce Black Seeded Simpson	28 days baby; 46 days full size. Early producer of light green, curled, tender leaves.
Lettuce Early Prizehead	55 days. An old variety popular since the 19th Century. Loose headed variety with upright, curled leaves with a red tinge. Slow to bolt.
Mustard Greens Green Wave	21 days baby; 45 full size. Heavily curled, frilly, green leaves. Great for salad mix or full-size bunches. Mustardy hot taste mellows when cooked.
Swiss Chard (5 color silver beet)	60 days. AKA Rainbow Chard. Brilliant pink, yellow, orange, red, and white. Very mild, ornamental, and tasty. Pretty enough to plant in the flower garden

TOMATO, EGGPLANT, OKRA, PEPPER, TOMATILLO & ONIONS (Harvest times are the # of days AFTER transplanting into the ground or a large pot that the plant will produce fruit. These varieties all need about 2' of space between other plants.)

Tomato Ace 55 Bush	80 days. Determinate. Bush tomato. A 1950s heirloom with low acidity. An old time
Tomato Beefsteak	96 days. Indeterminate. Huge tomato up to 2 lbs! Great for slicing. Use sturdy support

Tomato Black Vernissage	65 days. Dark green mottled with red. 2 oz fruit are about double the size of a cherry tomato.
Tomato Chadwick Cherry	55 days. Classic round cherry tomato shape and color. Very productive plants and disease resistant. 4' tall.
Tomato Green Vernissage	65-75 days. Indeterminate. Plant can grow 60-84" tall, 24-36" wide. Fruits are 1.5 - 2"; pale green with dark green stripes. Tangy, pleasantly sweet flavor. Good to eat fresh, in salads, in sauces; also drying. Best to grow in ground or a raised bed; will need a very
Tomato Hungarian Heart	fruits can weigh up to 1 lb. Very few seeds and almost no cracking. For fresh eating, canning and roasted tomato sauce.
Tomato Jellybean Grape (Hybrid)	70 days. Indeterminate. Crack and disease resistant. Yellow and Red fruits the size of a grape. Best for fresh eating.
Tomato Jubilee Yellow	75-80 days. Indeterminate, heirloom. Meaty, low-acid tomato with lots of vitamins A & C. Large Yellow tomatoes with meaty interior. High yielding.
Tomato Nebraska Wedding	85-90 days. Determinate, fruit ripens over a 2 week period. Organic, round orange fruits that grow to 4". Plants are typically under 36" tall but benefit from staking. Said to be given to newlyweds in western Nebraska since the late 1800s.
Tomato Pink Bumblebee	70 days. Indeterminate. Pink, round cherry tomatoes with yellow and orange stripes. Excellent sweet flavor. Fruits weigh 20-25 grams.
Tomato Principe Borghese	70-75 days. Popular in Tuscany. Red, plum shaped fruits of 1X2" that weigh 1-2 ounces. Bushy plants will need support due to heavy yields. Fruit ripens over a 2 week period. Well suited for drying.
Eggplant Listada de Gandia	80 days. 6-8" long attractive mottled purple and white fruits. French heirloom. 2 foot tall plants.
Eggplant Black Beauty	90 days. Standard old type with large black fruit of excellent quality.
Eggplant Pandora Striped Rose	80 days. Tear-drop shaped fruit, lilac-rose color with thin white stripes. Strong, thornless & very productive plant.
Eggplant Florida Highbush	75-85 days. Bred in Florida in early 1900s. Vigorous, upright, well-branched plants produce fruit throughout the season. Large purple-black, pear-shaped fruits with white flesh are held high off the ground. Drought and disease resistant.

Okra Clemson Spineless	55 days. Attractive flowers resembling a hibiscus. Harvest okra every 2-3 days during the summer-- if it grows larger than 2" it will be too woody and tough. 4" tall.
Okra Carmine Splendor (Hybrid)	51 days. High yields. Stout pods are deep red when small, fading to light red/pink when
Hot Pepper Early Jalapeno	63 days. Medium hot fruits up to 3" long. Enjoy green or allow to ripen red for a sweeter flavor.
Hot Pepper Hungarian Hot Wax	70 days. Hungarian heirloom, popular for canning and pickling. Medium to very hot fruit that is yellow & sets over a long season.
Hot Pepper Kochterrii	90 days. A pepper developed by Garfield Park horticulturists. Requires staking. Grows 18-24" tall and wide. Fruit is 3-4" long x 1" across, shiny and bright red when fully ripened, thick-walled, meaty and fleshy with a sweet berry-like aroma. It has a fruity flavor with a zesty cinnamon finish, and is hotter than a jalapeño but tamer than a cayenne. It's ideal for cooking and puréeing into sauces or chopped up into salsas.
Hot Pepper Poblano	80 days. Pick when green for a mildly spicy pepper, or leave on the vine to ripen, then pick and dry into an ancho pepper for use in sauces.
Hot Pepper Serrano	80 days. Pick when fruits are 2-2.5". Five times hotter than Jalapeno.
Sweet Pepper Bull Nose	55-80 days. Heirloom variety that dates to 1700s in the US. Grown by Thomas Jefferson. Crisp fruits ripen from green to red; excellent flavor. Productive, sturdy plants.
Sweet Pepper California Wonder	75 days. Pick when green or leave on the vine until orange. Old-time favorite bell pepper.
Sweet Pepper Purple Beauty	75 days. Compact, sturdy plants. Lovely purple fruit.
Purple Tomatillo	70 days. 3-5' tall. Wait to pick until fruit completely fills the papery outer husks and begins to peek out from them. Can lean over and sprawl over the ground if not staked. Small purple fruits also freeze well.
Verde Tomatillo	65 days. 3-5' tall. Wait to pick until fruit completely fills the papery outer husks. Tends to lean and sprawl over the ground. These classic green tomatillos also freeze very well.
Onion (Bunching-Deep Purple)	60 days. Deep red-purple bunching onion.
Onion (Bunching-Tokyo Long White)	65 days. Japanese heirloom prized for long white stalks, resemble leeks. Sweet flavor.

Onion (Cabernet-hybrid)	100 days. Early yields. Produces medium-large, globe-shaped onions with deep red color.
Onion (Gold Coin)	80 days. Very flat & yellow. Matures to a small-medium yellow cipolini onion. Pungent but sweet when cooked.
Onion (Scout-hybrid)	107 days. Early yellow intermediate day, Spanish-type. Disease resistant. Attractive jumbo bulbs, mild to slightly pungent flavor.