**GOURDS INDIVIDUAL TYPES**

**SPOON**
95 Days. This is a pure, unmixed selection of the familiar solid and bicolor hardshell spoon type gourds. “Handles” are variously curved and slender, and gourds indeed are spoon-shaped when cut in half lengthwise.

**KOSHARE YELLOW BANDED**
95-100 Days. Koshare Yellow Banded is an exciting gourd with a unique appearance and a superior plant habit that allows for higher populations and a more concentrated fruit set. The fruit are about 4.5” long and very uniform in both size and shape. Fruits display an assortment of banding patterns of vibrant dark green and golden yellow. Because temperature during flower development affects fruit coloration, fruit may be solid green or display 2-5 bands of alternating color. Koshare Yellow Banded is an absolute must for any serious gourd grower.

**SHENOT CROWN OF THORNS**
95 Days. An interesting, colorful gourd about 4-5” in diameter. It’s roughly round with ribs and curved “fingers” pointing to the blossom end. Plants produce a variety of striped and bicolor fruit with white, orange, yellow, light and dark green colors.

**TURK’S TURBAN**
100 Days. This excellent strain offers rich, deep colors and outstanding uniformity of size. The flattened 8-10” diameter fruit are brilliant orange-red with prominent “turbs” that display stripes and spots of scarlet, orange, cream, white, and green. The large vines yield very heavily. 30 seeds/packet.

**YUGOSLAVIAN FINGERS**
Truly unique
100 Days. This is a most unique and unusual gourd! The large, slightly oval gourds bear 8-10 fingers that extend toward the blossom end, forming ribs on the sides of the fruit. The cream colored fruit most closely resemble a very large Crown of Thorns gourd. An excellent ornamental type for fall decoration and marketing.

**MINI RED TURBAN**
105 Days. With its smaller fruit size and fiery color, this miniature turban squash will complement your fall ornamental offering nicely. Mini Red Turban has a bright orange-red base and a creamy-white colored top. The fruit average 3-6” in diameter and weigh from ½ - 1 lb. The vigorous plants produce good yields of this striking ornamental.

**BABY BOTTLE**
Miniature version of the Birdhouse gourd
110 Days. Serious crafters and gourd marketers will want to be sure to include this unique miniature gourd in their selections. Baby Bottle is the mini version of the Birdhouse or Bottle gourd. The tiny gourds average 2” in diameter and are approximately 4” long. Their small size makes them ideal for fall table arrangements and Christmas ornaments.

**BIG APPLE**
110 Days. These apple shaped gourds have a mottled green color and measure 6-8” in diameter. A variety of sizes are produced, and the shape can vary from round to an upright delicious apple shape. A very novel fall crafting item that will be a sure hit for roadside markets and fall festivals.

**SPECKLED SWAN**
125 Days. This unique gourd is sure to be a money maker for you and a hit with your customers. The long necks curve gracefully and enlarge at the end to resemble a swan’s head. The bulbous base measures 6-8” in diameter and has a flat bottom for ease of display. A great item for selling to craft stores, painting, or dressing up for display at your roadside market.

**CAVEMAN’S CLUB**
125 Days. Each 12-18” long Caveman’s Club gourd has a narrow handle thatends in an oblong, deeply veined and ridged club. This primitive-looking gourd matures late and should be planted early for best results. Trellising the vines helps to ensure straight necks.

**BIRDHOUSE**
125 Days. Large pear-shaped 10 inch fruit have smooth skin and can be dried and used as birdhouses for Purple Martins, Bluebirds or Wrens. Harvest green and dry with good circulation for several months. Clean the outside with a bleach bath prior to drilling a birdhouse hole. Coat with linseed oil or paint.

**COLLINS LONG GOURD**
115 Days. This amazing gourd was developed by Ray Waterman (pictured above) of Hamburg, NY to be grown for competition. The world record for this variety is 1105/8”. The dark green, long, snake-like gourds should be grown on a high trellis to keep them straight and to achieve their best length. Keep well watered after fruit are set. If grown on the ground the fruit will be curled. 10 seeds/packet.