

Symbols & Terms



ALL AMERICA SELECTIONS WINNER

Variety has been recognized for its outstanding home garden performance in trials throughout the U.S. and Canada.



CUSTOMER FAVORITE

One of our best-selling growing supplies for a number of years. These items have shown high quality and consistent performance.



GROWER FAVORITE

Variety with a strong history of sales. Popularity among growers generally indicates consistent performance, high quality, and excellent taste.



HARRIS EXCLUSIVE

Variety available only through Harris Seeds.

NEW!

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Variety new to the seed trade this season.

NEW ADDITION

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Variety new to Harris Seeds' offering this season, although it has previously been commercially available.

Organic Seed/Untreated Seed (Green Listing)

Organic or untreated seed. See explanation in next column. Example:

11200-00-02 Eagle Untreated

P.V.P. AND PATENT NUMBERS

Plant Variety Protection certificate and / or a Patent has been applied for or issued to this variety.

Unauthorized propagation of this variety for seed production is prohibited by the U.S. Plant Variety Protection Act and U.S. Patent laws.

PLEASE NOTE:

Reasonable care should be taken when planting any seeds to provide them with the most favorable germination conditions, so as to establish a successful field population.

Seed Types

TREATED

Seed has been treated in an appropriate manner to protect it from specific seed- or soil-borne pathogens and thus improve its performance. The treatment may be hot water, chemical, or biological, depending on the pathogen involved. Treatment is applied under controlled conditions, in a commonly recognized fashion, at the manufacturer's recommended rate. Some disease problems cannot be treated by any known seed treatments, and some plant species do not have disease problems that would necessitate seed treatment. These seeds are offered in clean, untreated condition.

UNTREATED

Seed is clean and has not been treated using any chemical, biological, or physical method. Seed crop was not grown under Certified Organic conditions.

Certified Organic Growers: *Untreated seed may be allowed in Certified Organic production, provided that a comparable variety is not available in Certified Organic seed. Check with your certifying agency for approval. Pellet ingredients for pelleted untreated seed (product numbers ending in 11-02) are not approved for use in Certified Organic production.*

ORGANIC

Seed is clean and untreated, and it was grown under Certified Organic conditions. Allowed for use in Certified Organic production. Pellet ingredients for pelleted organic seed (product numbers ending in 11-03) are NOP approved for use in Certified Organic production.

OPEN POLLINATED (OP)

Seed is the result of natural pollination among plants. Seed saved from OP plants will grow true to type.

HYBRID (F1)

Seed is the result of a genetic cross between two parent lines of a single species. That is, a hybrid corn is the result of a cross between two types of corn. Seed saved from hybrid plants will not grow true to type; some will revert to its parent lines.

GENETICALLY MODIFIED (GMO)

Harris Seeds sells only varieties that have been developed through traditional breeding techniques. We do not sell any GMO or transgenic varieties.

Cultural Terms

BOLTING

Stage when a plant starts to produce a flower stalk or "go to seed."

DISEASE

A condition, caused by the activity of bacteria, fungi, or viruses, that results in plant damage.

EATING QUALITY

Characteristics such as flavor, texture, aroma, and appearance that create sensory appeal while eating.

ENVIRONMENTAL STRESS

Adverse environmental conditions, including disease, pest, nutritional, and weather pressures, that may directly or indirectly render a crop unmarketable.

HOLDING ABILITY

The period of time that produce remains marketable after reaching maturity.

INSECT DAMAGE

Harmful effects, direct and indirect, of insect infestation or feeding on plants.

INTERMEDIATE RESISTANT

Plant varieties that restrict the growth and development of the specified pest/pathogen, but may exhibit a greater range of symptoms or damage compared to resistant varieties. Intermediate resistant plant varieties will usually show less severe symptom or damage than susceptible plant varieties when grown under similar environmental conditions and/or pest/pathogen pressure, but may have heavy damage under heavy pressure. Plant varieties with Intermediate Resistance are not immune to the pest/pathogen.

PATHOGEN

An organism or virus capable of producing disease.

RESISTANT

Plant that can limit the impact of a pathogen or withstand environmental stress for a reasonable length of time without sustaining serious damage.

SUSCEPTIBLE

Plant that cannot limit the impact of a pathogen or environmental condition, resulting in damage if attacked.

TOLERANT

Plant variety that can endure abiotic or environmental stress with more limited effect on growth, appearance and yield. Under higher levels of abiotic or environmental stress, the plant variety still may be damaged.

UNIFORMITY

Lacking significant variability in a given characteristic.