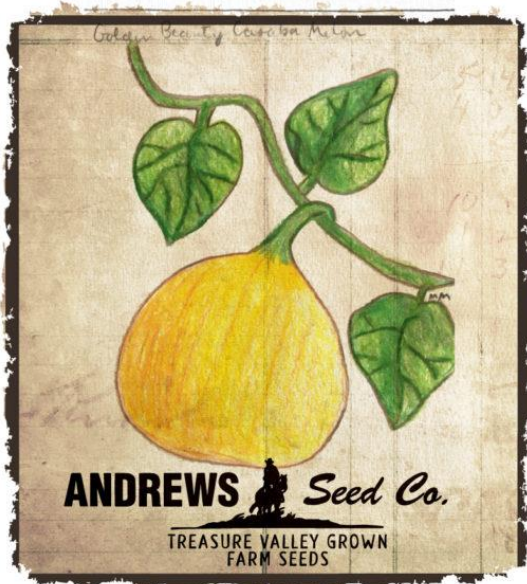


GOLDEN BEAUTY CASABA

Cantaloupe

Golden Beauty Casaba melons were developed in the 1920s, and soon gained the reputation of being the greatest of casabas. An excellent keeper that can be stored well into the winter.



NOTES

VARIETY INFO

Botanical Name: *Cucumis melo*

Plant Dimensions: 24" - 36"

Days to Maturity: 95 to 100

Zone: 3 – 9

SOWING INFO

Sow Outside: Sow 5-6 seeds per hill. Your seeds should be planted between 1-2" below the surface. When your seeds are a few inches tall, thin to your strongest 2-3 plants per hill.

Start Inside: 3-4 weeks before last frost. Provide 70-85°F soil temperature. Sow 2-3 seeds per cell/pot. Sowing into individual biodegradable peat/cow pots reduces root damage when transplanting.

Transplant after last frost, 36" apart.

Days to Emerge: 3 to 5 days

Seed Depth: 1/2"

Seed Spacing: 5"

Row Spacing: 18-24"

Thinning: Not necessary

GROWING INFO

Harvesting: Look for the following signs, as it takes some practice to tell when they are ready to harvest. The skin tone will change and netting becomes heavy, the ends soften, they will slip from the vines or a gentle pull will remove it from the vine, a crack develops around the stem, the closest tendril to the stem dries, and the aroma increases when ripe.

Fruit: 6" around and weigh about six pounds each.