HONEYDEW (ORANGE FLESH)

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The Orange-Fleshed honeydew is oval to round in shape. When ripe its skin is white to pale yellow-green in color, similar to common honeydews. Its salmon-hued flesh, however, is more like that of a cantaloupe and is firm yet juicy offering a honey sweet melon flavor.



NOTES

VARIETY INFO

Botanical Name: *Cucumis melo* 'Honeydew' Plant Dimensions: 18" Days to Maturity: 105 Zone: 3 – 9

SOWING INFO

Sow Outside: For direct seeding, sow 1-2 weeks after last frost when soil is warm, above 70°F, 3 seeds every 18", 1/2" deep, thinning to 1 plant/spot. Space rows 6'. **Start Inside**: Sow indoors 3 weeks before last. Plant 2-3 seeds per or pot, about 1/4" deep. Keep temperature 80-90°F until germination. Handle young plants carefully and never let the soil dry out. Grow seedlings at 75°F. Reduce water and temperature for a week to harden seedlings. When the weather is frost-free, warm, and settled, transplant 2-3' apart in rows 6' apart or thin to 1 plant/pot or cell with scissors and transplant 18" apart. **Days to Emerge:**

Seed Depth: 1/2" Seed Spacing: 18" Row Spacing: 6'

GROWING INFO

Harvesting: Harvest the orange-flesh honeydew melons after about 85 days, when they're ripe. The melons are ripe when the fruit stem becomes dry and brown and the part of the melon that touches the ground turns yellow.

Fruit: Oval to round, 5 lbs.