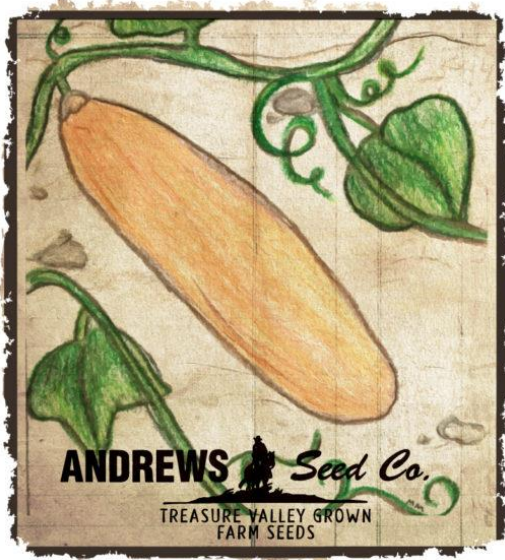


PINK BANANA JUMBO

Winter Squash

Open-pollinated. HEIRLOOM. Large, pink, banana-shaped fruit can weigh 10-40 lbs. This variety is over 100 years old. Fine flavored, dry, sweet, orange flesh that is superbly fine tasting. Popular on the West Coast; large yields. The banana-shaped fruit turn pinkish-orange when mature and have a firm, sweet, yellow-orange flesh that is excellent for pies, baking, and canning



NOTES

VARIETY INFO

Botanical Name: *Cucurbita maxima*

Plant Dimensions: 24-36"

Days to Maturity: 90-120

Zone: 3-9

SOWING INFO

Sow Outside: Sow seeds 1 inch (2.5cm) deep. If you are planting in rows, seeds should be spaced 4 to 6 inches. Rows should be 4 to 6 feet apart. If you are planting on in hills, place 3 or 4 seeds in a ring on the top of each hill, and space your hills 3 to 4 feet apart.

Start Inside: Gardeners with short growing seasons may want to start their squash seeds indoors a month before the last expected frost. Since squashes do not take well to transplanting, peat pots are the best option.

Days to Emerge: 4-7 days

Seed Depth: 1 - 2"

Seed Spacing: 24-36"

Row Spacing: 3-6'

Thinning: Clip weaker seedling leaving one plant.

GROWING INFO

Harvesting: Pink banana squash takes between 105 and 115 days to reach maturity from seed, about 75 days from transplants. They are ripe enough to eat when their rind turns salmon-pink. Although they usually reach 30 inches long, you can pick them at 18 inches long if you want to use them immediately.

Fruit: 30" long, Up to 50lbs