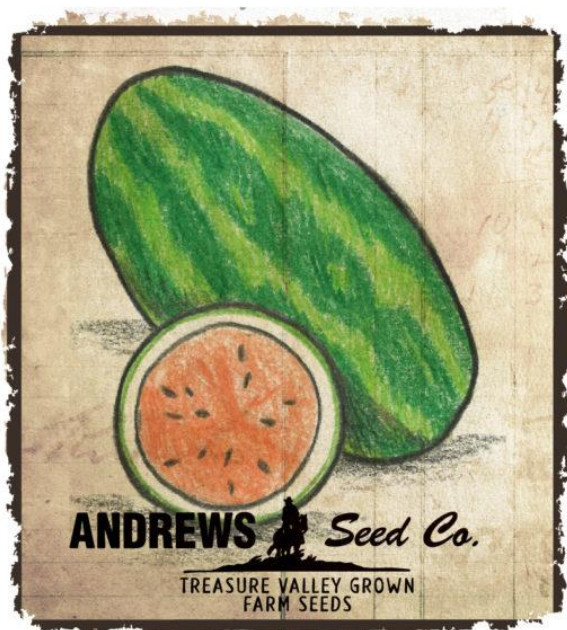


TENDERSWEET ORANGE

Long vine

Tender sweet Orange Watermelon is an heirloom, open-pollinated watermelon variety with a unique, bright orange flesh. Not only is this watermelon absolutely stunning, but it is also very tasty. Oblong fruits average 35 lbs. and have a traditional watermelon exterior color pattern with light and dark green striping.



NOTES

VARIETY INFO

Botanical Name: *Citrullus lanatus* '

Plant Dimensions:

Days to Maturity: 60-90

Zone: 3-10

SOWING INFO

Sow Outside: Sow 3 to 4 weeks after the last average frost date. Transplant or direct sow watermelon seeds only when the average soil and daytime air temps are at least 70F. Sow 1" deep, planting 4-6 seeds in mounds that stretch 24" across, Build mounds 5-10' apart.

Start Inside: In cool climates, start indoors, but no sooner than a month before transplanting. Plant three seeds per peat pot, 1/4" deep. Provide heat to keep the soil at least 80-85 degrees F.

Days to Emerge: 10-14 days

Seed Depth: 1/2"

Seed Spacing: 24"

Row Spacing: 5-6'

Thinning: Not necessary

GROWING INFO

Harvesting: When the watermelon is ripe, cut the watermelon from the vine. Cut the watermelon open. The flesh of the Orange Tender sweet watermelon will be very pale, so do not panic when the color does not resemble the watermelons in the grocery store.

Fruit: 25-40 lbs.