

QUICK REFERENCE TABLE BUTTERNUT SQUASH

	Days to maturity	Fruit	Plant		Rind	Flesh	Storage	Disease reaction #			Market segment	Comments
Variety	(days from sowing)*	weight (kg)*	type	Fruit shape*	colour*	colour*	ability*	ity* >	P×			
Apollo	85 - 100	1.5 - 2.2	Full vine	Elongated cylindrical, bulbous blossom end	Tan	Orange	Very good	IR	IR		Fresh market & processing	Intermediate resistance against virus. Excellent fruit uniformity and yield potential. Attractive elongated Waltham shape
Atlas	90 - 105	2 - 3	Semi- bush	Cylindrical, bulbous blossom end	Tan	Deep orange	Excellent				Processing & fresh market	Industry standard for processing. Very high yield potential. Excellent storage ability. Good fruit uniformity
Barbara (38)	Baby: 45 Mature: 85 - 95	1 - 1.5	Full vine	Cylindrical, bulbous blossom end	Dark green with tan stripes	Deep yellow	Good				Pre-pack as baby, fresh market	Early tropical butternut. Immature fruit very attractive as a baby vegetable. Strong healthy vines
Cosmos	85 - 100	0.8 - 1.2	Bush	Cylindrical, bulbous blossom end	Tan	Deep orange	Medium			IR	Fresh market	Vigorous bush plant habit. Very uniform, medium size fruit. Concentrated fruit set and early harvesting of fruit
Pluto	85 - 100	1 - 1.5	Full vine	Cylindrical, bulbous blossom end	Tan	Deep orange	Excellent			IR	Fresh market, export & processing	Excellent yield potential. High fruit uniformity. New industry standard for fresh market. Excellent storage ability
Quantum	85 - 100	0.8 – 1.2	Full vine	Cylindrical bulbous blossom end	Tan	Orange	Excellent			IR	Fresh market export & processing	Excellent yield potential. High fruit uniformity. New industry standard for fresh market. Excellent storage ability. Ideal for export and supermarket
Veenas	85 - 100	0.6 - 1	Full vine	Short cylindrical, bulbous blossom end	Tan	Orange	Excellent			IR	Export, pre-pack, fresh prepared	Ideal for pre-packing and export due to excellent uniformity and small fruit size. Excellent yield potential
Waltham (Imported) (Open pollinated)	90 - 100	0.6 - 1.5	Full vine	Cylindrical, bulbous blossom end	Tan	Yellow orange	Very good				Fresh market, export & processing	Superior Waltham selection with uniform fruit and good yield for an open pollinated variety

^{*} Characteristics given are affected by production methods such as soil type, nutrition, planting population, planting date and climatic conditions. Please read disclaimer.

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Disease reaction key:

IR: Intermediate resistance HR: High resistance

Abbreviation	Common disease name	Pathogen name
Px (ex Sf)	Powdery mildew	Podosphaera xanthii (ex Sphaerotheca fuliginea)
PRSV	Papaya ringspot	Papaya ringspot virus
ZYMV	Zucchini yellows	Zucchini yellow mosaic virus

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