

LSL Harvesting At-a-Glance

Ideal Harvest Stages



Fruit Qualities:

- Fruit are ready for harvest
- Marketable brix and high firmness

Ripeness Indicators:

- Net beginning to climb at the base of the stem
- Majority of stem is still visible



Fruit Qualities:

- Very good stage for harvest
- Good flavor, brix and firmness

Ripeness Indicators:

- Net has climbed up the stem
- Light cracking around the base of the stem



Fruit Qualities:

- Fruit can still be harvested
- Good flavor and high brix, average firmness

Ripeness Indicators:

- Obvious cracking around the stem
- Net has climbed and covers a good portion of the stem

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Melon Specifications At-a-Glance

Variety Info						Relative Maturity		Size & Shape		Rind & Flesh				Comments
NEW!	Variety	Type	LSL	Western	Eastern	Early	Mid	Fruit Size	Shape	Exterior	Interior Color	Firm	Extra Firm	
	Camino Europa	Amarillo					✓	5's, 6's, 7's	Oval	Smooth, yellow	White		✓	Appropriate for shipping to European markets with its excellent shelf life. Very vigorous plant habit and produces excellent yields.
✓	Alaniz Gold (SME2778)	Cantaloupe		✓			✓	9's, 12's	Round-oval	Full net	Orange	✓		Strong vine, uniform fruit, high yield, with excellent flavor, Brix and firmness.
	Atlantis	Cantaloupe			✓	✓		110 count	Round-oval	Fine net, shallow sutures	Orange	✓		Excellent field performance with strong vigorous vines and maintains size in early plantings.
	Avatar	Cantaloupe			✓	✓		90 count	Round-oval	Full net, shallow sutures	Orange	✓		High brix and great yields. Farm-market type. Ideal for higher latitudes.
✓	Infinite Gold (SME7036)	Cantaloupe	✓				✓	9's, 12's	Round-oval	Full net	Orange		✓	Long Shelf Life (LSL) variety with wide adaptability. Very uniform fruit shape and size. High yield with great flavor, high brix and firmness.
	Lilliput	Cantaloupe			✓	✓		15's, 18's	Round	Full open net	Dark orange	✓		Personal size melon with very high brix, very firm flesh, tight cavity and high yield. Great for home gardens.
	Olympic Express	Cantaloupe		✓		✓		9's, 12's, 15's	Round-oval	Full net	Orange	✓		For both fresh and fresh-cut markets. Great taste, excellent firmness, and performs well in Central America and Mexico.
	Olympic Gold	Cantaloupe		✓			✓	9's, 12's, 15's	Round-oval	Full net	Light orange	✓		Consistent, productive and well adapted for the San Joaquin Valley and Arizona.
✓	Timeless Gold (SME7034)	Cantaloupe	✓				✓	12's, 9's	Round-oval	Full net	Bright orange		✓	Long Shelf Life (LSL) variety with ropy net. High yielding variety, with high brix and firmness.
✓	Citrino (SME0713)	Honeydew					✓	6's, 8's	Round-oval	Creamy white	Orange	✓		Excellent eating quality. Ideal for growers looking for melons with unique qualities that appeal to consumers.
	Dulce Nectar	Honeydew				✓		4's, 5's	Round-oval	Smooth, creamy white	Light green	✓		Good size and high yield for growing in cool to warm or hot seasons. Semi - closed cavity.
	Super Nectar	Honeydew					✓	5's, 6's	Round-oval	Smooth, creamy white	Light green	✓		Excellent shape and size uniformity. Good Brix and firmness. Very tight small and closed cavity.

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