

A photograph of three winter squash, likely butternut squash, resting in a woven wicker basket. The basket is lined with a red and white checkered cloth. The squash are a pale yellow-orange color with green stems. The background is a light gray surface.

Winter Squash

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Winter Squash that Works for You

When you think Sakata—think quality, reliability and service. That's the Sakata advantage. And our winter squash line-up is a perfect example of this valuable trifecta. Want to develop an easy to grow program that also benefits your customers and consumers all the way down the chain? Look no further than our winter squash and get the Sakata advantage!



Butternut

Atlas

This commercial F1 hybrid butternut offers high yields of uniformly-sized and shaped fruit. Atlas is a mid-maturing variety at 110 days with strong plant vigor and short vine. The fruit color is cream with dark orange flesh. This winter squash has a cylindrical shape with a slight bulb, making it ideal for processing.



Butternut

Ceres

Ceres is an early maturing fresh market variety. Ceres has a traditional butternut shape and a very smooth, no ribbing, exterior. Ceres has a vigorous plant habit with intermediate resistance to powdery mildew: IR: Px.



Butternut

Little Dipper

Little Dipper is a “mini” traditional-shaped butternut squash that can even be called personal-sized! It weighs in at about 2.5 pounds per fruit. Its plant habit is full vine with vigorous growth and has potential to produce a high amount of very uniform fruit.



Butternut

Zodiac

Zodiac is a butternut squash that is medium to large in size (4-6 lb). Fruit have an elongated Waltham shape with shallow ribbing which makes it ideal for the fresh cut and processing market. The plant habit is full vine, vigorous and produces very uniform shape and sized fruit.

Sweet Dumpling

Sweet Dumpling is a very popular squash because it can be used for ornamental as well as culinary purposes. The fruit shape is round with high shoulders. The size is small (8-10 ounces). The skin color is creamy with dark green stripes and a light yellow interior flesh color. It has a smooth flesh texture with a delicate flavor.



Ornamental Edible



Butternut

Genesis

Genesis is a processing-type butternut squash that is extra large in size with a thick, long neck with little to no ribbing. This variety is noted for good storability, and vigorous, strong vines with large yield potential. Disease resistance: HR:Px.



Spaghetti

Primavera

Primavera is a high yielding hybrid vegetable spaghetti squash. It has similar size to the standard O.P. variety with nice canary-yellow skin color at maturity. The fruit have excellent uniformity in size and shape, growing on a restricted vine that does not get as long as the standard O.P.



Butternut

Quantum

Quantum has exceptional uniformity of size and shape, a thick neck and small seed cavity. This hybrid's strong vigorous plant produces a high number of fruit with a smooth tan exterior and bright orange flesh. Quantum has shown good tolerance to cracking. Quantum is a great tasting butternut squash.



Butternut

Polaris

Polaris is a medium-sized, traditionally-shaped (Waltham type) butternut squash for fresh and processing markets. This strong and vigorous plant yields a high number of very uniformly-sized and shaped fruit per plant. Fruit have a smooth tan exterior and bright orange interior. Polaris has also shown good tolerance to cracking.



Kabocha

Kurihomare

Kurihomare is a large (4.5-5.5 lb) Kabocha squash variety with an exceptional 'nutty' taste and brilliant yellow flesh. Its vigorous vine and strong plant habit allow for good growth and pollen supply, even in cold conditions. Kurihomare has good fruit setting ability and produces high yields of nice, dark green fruit.



Spaghetti

Tivoli

Tivoli is an AAS Award Winner. This hybrid is the first bush Spaghetti Squash. Like other bush winter squash, it will produce short vines after the initial fruit set. Tivoli has a creamy flesh and small plant habit that offers high yield potential per acre.



Vegetable Spaghetti

Vegetable Spaghetti is a popular squash. It produces fruit about 2.5–3 lb and has light yellow color, with noodle-like strands inside. The fruit is oval in shape and has a canary yellow exterior at maturity.



Spaghetti

WINTER SQUASH HYBRIDS / OP

Variety	Type	Days to Maturity from Direct Seed	Fruit Size	Size / Weight	Skin Characteristics	Plant Habit	Disease Resistance	Uses & Remarks
Atlas	Butternut	100-110	Cylindrical	5-7 lb	Cream with dark orange flesh	Vigorous	HR: Px	Medium vine and high density. Ideal for processing.
Ceres	Butternut	90-95	Cylindrical	3.5 – 4.5 lb	Cream with dark orange flesh	Vigorous	IR: Px	Ceres has a vigorous plant habit with intermediate resistance to powdery mildew.
Genesis	Butternut	100-110	Cylindrical	5-7 lb	Tan, smooth, shallow ribbed	Vigorous	HR: Px	This variety is noted for good storability, and vigorous, strong vines with large yield potential.
Little Dipper	Butternut	100-110	Small	Small / 2.5 lb	Tan at maturity	Vigorous	HR: Px	Little Dipper is a “mini” traditional-shaped butternut squash that can even be called personal-sized!
Polaris	Butternut	100-110	Cylindrical	3-5 lb	Cream	Vigorous	HR: Px	Very uniform in both shape and size. High yield potential.
Quantum	Butternut	100-110	Cylindrical	2.5-4.5 lb	Buff/tan color, smooth skin flesh	Vigorous, full vine	HR: Px	Uniform size and shape makes Quantum ideal for the “boxing”/fresh market.
Zodiac	Butternut	100-110	Elongated	4-6 lb	Tan, shallow ribbed	Vigorous	HR: Px	Elongated Waltham shape with shallow ribbing. Full vine and a very vigorous plant.
Kurihomare	Kabocha	100	Oblate	4.4-5.5 lb	Dark green with yellow flesh	Vigorous		Vigorous plant and strong growth even in cold condition.
Sweet Dumpling 	Ornamental edible, C.pepo	82	Round	4.5 x 3.5”	Dark green stripes on cream	Vigorous		Popular squash, sweet and tender plus ornamental. Convenient small size.
Primavera	Spaghetti	90	Oval	Medium / 2.5-3 lb	Canary yellow	Restricted vine		High-yielding hybrid. Excellent uniformity in size and shape.
Tivoli	Spaghetti	98	Oval	Large / 4.5 lb	Smooth, light creamy yellow	Vigorous		Unique, space saving bush habit with typical spaghetti squash fruit. AAS winner.
Vegetable Spaghetti 	Spaghetti	90	Long oval	Medium / 2.5-3 lb	Smooth, canary yellow skin	Vigorous		Cooked flesh separates into noodle-like strands. Introduced to America by Sakata.

Disease terminology: HR = High Resistance, IR = Intermediate Resistance. Disease code: Px - Powdery Mildew. * Days to Maturity are an approximation and may fluctuate due to varying planting times, location and conditions.

 = Open Pollinated.

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