

Eggplants 2024

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Days to Maturity from Transplant</u> | <u>Description</u> | <u>Type</u> |
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| Bambino | 45-48 days | Unique baby vegetable for garden and containers . 12" plants with showy lavender flowers and abundant round, 1.5", shiny dark purple fruit. Perfect size for grilled kabobs. | F1 |
| Black Beauty | 74 days | Bushy, spreading plants produce large (1-3 lbs.), oval, glossy eggplants with deep purple skin. Tender and tasty at all stages of growth. Introduced 1902. | OP, Heirloom |
| Bride | 75 days | Compact, 14-16" tall, well-branched plants produce straight and slender fruits, 8" by 1.5". diameter in clusters of 2 or 3. Skin is white with lavender stripes. Flesh is white, velvet-creamy, and tender. Perfect for stir-fries and grilling. From China. Beautiful in container . | F1 |
| Casper | 70-75 days | 5-6" long, slightly oval fruit has ivory, tender skin, white flesh, and mild flavor similar to mushrooms. Compact, productive plant. | OP, Heirloom |
| Dusky | 62 days | Productive, early eggplant with premium quality fruit. Compact, 24-30" plants with glossy, deep purple, firm, oval fruit. Does very well in northern or short season growing areas. TMV resistant. Fruits grow 8" long but can be picked when 3 to 5". Excellent flavor. | F1 |
| Epic | 64 days | High yields of oval, purple/black fruit, 6-8" long x 4" wide (can be picked at 3-5" for baby eggplants) on sturdy, 24-36" plants. Delicious roasted, grilled, stuffed, or baked. Resistant to TMV. | F1 |

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| Fairy Tale | 50-63 days | 18 to 24" plants are ideal for containers or the garden. Early, heavy yields of elongated, lavender fruit with white stripes are borne in clusters of 3-5. White flesh is non-bitter. Best picked when about 4" long x 1-3/4" wide and while the skin is still shiny. AAS winner for 2005. Very ornamental. | F1 |
| Gretel | 55 days | Compact plants (36" tall by 24" wide) produce many clusters of beautiful, white skinned, tender, nearly seedless, mild fruits. Harvest at 3-4" for baby veggies or allow to grow longer. AAS winner 2009. The perfect companion to Hansel and Fairy Tale and lovely in a container . Delicious for all culinary purposes. | F1 |
| Hansel | 55 days | Abundant long, slim, dark purple eggplants held in clusters on sturdy upright plants. Delicious tender, non-bitter fruits with few seeds. Pick at 2-3" for baby eggplant, or let them grow to full size, 9-10". 2008 AAS winner. Great in the garden or perfect container plant. 2-3' tall. Excellent for all culinary purposes. | F1 |
| Ichiban | 61 days | Long, slender, deep purple Asian eggplants with wonderful, mild flavor. Great for stir-fry or simply splitting and grilling or roasting. Productive 30" plants. Ornamental foliage with a purple tinge. Heavy yields of 8" fruits. Can be picked young. | F1 |
| Italian Pink Bicolor | 80-90 days | 6-8" long, bell-shaped fruit are creamy lavender with rose pink, vertical stripes. Sweet and tender, fruit is delicious grilled or roasted. | OP, Heirloom |
| Listada de Gandia | 80-90 days | Italian heirloom. Beautiful, oval or teardrop, 6-8" white fruit with bright purple stripes. Sweet and tender with thin skin. Excellent for slicing, baking, stuffing. Sets fruit well in high summer heat. Plants 12-18" tall. | OP, Heirloom |
| Little Fingers | 60-65 days | Small sturdy plants produce clusters of 3 or more slim, dark purple eggplants. Can be harvested when little finger size or allowed to grow to 6" long. Mild, sweet flavored fruits are delicious stir-fried, grilled, or even pickled. Small, high-yielding plants are very pretty in containers . | OP |

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| Millionaire | 54 days | AKA Tycoon. Japanese type eggplant with beautiful, shiny, black-purple, 12" long x 2" wide fruits that are nearly seedless with tender skin. Wonderful flavor for stir fries, roasting, or grilling. Sturdy, upright plants bear early and heavily. Loves summer heat. | F1 |
| Orient Express | 58 days | Early Asian type that sets fruit in cool or hot weather. Fruits are shiny, dark purple, slender, 8-10" long x 1.5-2.5" wide, thin-skinned, and tender with a delicate flavor. Delicious grilled, roasted, or stir fried. | F1 |
| Pingtung Long | 65-75 days | Beautiful eggplant from Pingtung, Taiwan. Very long, slender, 12-18 x 1½", shiny, violet fruits with tender white flesh and delicious flavor. No need to peel. Tasty grilled, roasted, or stir fried. Hardy, vigorous, productive plants are disease resistant, stress tolerant, and thrive in summer heat. | OP |
| Rosa Bianca | 80-90 days | Lovely Italian heirloom with delicate flavor, creamy flesh, and no bitterness. Round, 4-5", ribbed fruit streaked with white and violet. Perfect for baking, stuffing, or roasting. Does best when nights are warm. | OP, Heirloom |
| Satin Moon | 50 days | Improved version of Satin Beauty. Early and productive plants are 28" and bushy. Fruits are 8", oval, slightly fluted, and glossy purple fruit. Mild flavor and firm texture make this one excellent for grilling and Italian cooking. | F1 |
| Thai Round Green | 53-80 days | Cute, 2" round, green striped eggplants are just right for Thai and Vietnamese recipes, stir fries, roasting, and grilling. Plants are sturdy, highly productive, and disease resistant. | OP |
| Key: OP=Open Pollinated , F1=F1 Hybrid, TMV = Tobacco Mosaic Virus | | | |