Celebrating 25 Years of Breeding and Producing Organic Seeds

2019 VITALIS SEED CATALOGUE

US & CANADA

LET'S GROW!
Vitalis Organic Seeds, the organic division of Enza Zaden, is the largest organic seed breeder and producer in the world, offering over 500 certified organic varieties in more than 35 countries. Our global research infrastructure includes dedicated North American research stations in California and Florida USA, and Sinaloa, Mexico. Each station includes certified organic trial locations, certified organic handler areas, and LEED-certified R&D buildings. In the U.S., Canada and Mexico, we are the principal trusted supplier of the largest assortment of certified organic seed for the professional grower.

In 2019, we’re proud of a quarter-century of leadership in organic seed breeding and production, and of our steadfast support of a closed-loop organic agriculture systems that begin with 100% organic seeds. We’re also proud of our ‘Resistance Makes the Difference’ quality mark and strategy that defines our method of breeding for diverse agronomic conditions in concert with resistance to crop specific diseases, and quality traits including flavor, texture and extended shelf life.

Product highlights for this year include an expansion in our lettuce assortment in EazyLeaf one-cuts, babyleaf and standard full-head lettuce types, our onions, our culinary herbs, our Southeast open-field-adapted tomatoes, and our compelling, Italy-influenced innovations including striped eggplant, Marmande tomato, and Tuscan melon. With these and our full complement of dedicated breeding programs, we look forward to exceeding the expectations of organic growers.

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Introducing 2019 New Varieties!

- Milagro Butterhead
- SunFresh Tomato
- Ezthana Eazyleaf
- Molokai Eazyleaf
- Emma Basil
- Xiomara Mini Romaine
- Winterhaven Tomato
- Anastazia Arugula
- Curlesi Endive
- Comanche Leek
- Asteroid Cucumber
- Espartano Tomato Rootstock
2019 New Varieties

Odysseus Pepper Rootstock

Jara Green Romaine

Suwanee Tomato

Sycamore Babyleaf

Marsalato Tomato

Iperione Melon

Beachcraft Bell Pepper

Avona Watercress

Bellatrix Halloween Pumpkin

Annina Eggplant

Cash Machine Zucchini

Burgandy Eazyleaf

Boynton Eazyleaf

Mavera Bell Pepper

Piccolino Basil
Lettuce

Iceberg
Dillon
An iceberg with excellent uniformity and small head size, Dillon has strong internal structure and fill. The exterior frame and wrap leaves have small ribs, and stand out for their dark green color. Head size and weight will increase in hot weather, performing best in late summer and early fall. Excellent resistance to downy mildew.

Resistances: HR: BI:16-35EU/1-9US/Nr:0/Pb.

Green Butterhead
Barilla
Barilla is a medium green, thick-leaved variety with a strong base, upright shape and good volume. It is strong against internal tipburn. Barilla is appropriate for late spring and early fall crops in most locations and can be grown in summer in coastal regions.


Milagro
Milagro is a medium green butterhead with nice leaf gloss, a large frame and impressive weight that is ideal for processing and carton packs. With good flexibility for full season production and improved mildew resistance, Milagro offers solid performance for multiple applications.


Mirlo
A voluminous bright green butterhead with glossy leaves, a well-filled heart and a flat base. Mirlo has medium weight, is easy to peel and very strong against internal tipburn. Broad adaptability with excellent performance throughout the season.


Red Butterhead
Alkindus
Alkindus has slightly savoyed leaves and excellent downy mildew and red aphid resistance. With a medium head size, Alkindus has a beautiful dark red color and is suitable for full season production. Excellent fill and good field holding capacity.


Roxy
An outstanding red butterhead variety due to its brilliant leaf color and field performance. Roxy has an open, loose head with delicate leaves that are slightly blistered. This variety offers a nice base and strong tipburn tolerance, and is slow to bolt.

Resistances: HR: BI:16,21,23,32EU/1-6US.
Lettuce

Greenleaf
Bergam's Green
A large framed traditional greenleaf with dark green color. Bergam’s Green is a widely adapted variety. It is slow to bolt, strong against tipburn, resistant to heading and suitable for year-round production.

Resistances: HR: TBSV.  I  IR: Ss.

Muir
Muir is a medium-sized, light green and slow-growing Batavia type. The heads grow very upright and the hearts are well filled. Muir has a sweet flavor and is strong against bolting and internal tipburn. With excellent downy mildew and red aphid resistance, this multi-use variety is appropriate for open field and hydroponic production.


Stacker
Stacker stands out for its unique upright habit and narrow leaf blade attachment. Dark green leaves with a slightly undulating margin are uniform in shape and size. Stacker has a high leaf count and can be grown for the whole leaf market. For whole head production, Stacker’s upright base facilitates packing into boxes or sleeves with minimal breakage. This variety has strong downy mildew resistance and performs best in the spring and fall slots.

Resistances: HR: Bl:16-22,25,31,32EU/1,2,4-9US/TBSV.  I  IR: Ss.

Tropicana
Proven to be the best heat and bolt tolerant greenleaf variety in its class in trials across the country. Tropicana is tolerant to tipburn and leaf scorching, and is Corky Root resistant. With excellent uniformity and leaf texture, Tropicana can be used in fresh packs or for whole leaf production.

Resistances: IR: Ss.

Redleaf
Red Mist
Red Mist is a redleaf lettuce with a long planting window. Its V-shaped base helps prevent basal rot and packs well. Excellent weight for a redleaf with cores that stay low, Red Mist is slower to bolt and holds its shape well compared to other varieties in its class.

Resistances: HR: Bl:16-26,28,32EU/1-9US.  I  IR: Ss.
Lettuce

**Green Romaine**

**Arroyo**
Arroyo is an excellent variety that is well suited for both hearts and whole head production. Fresh market and wholesale growers will appreciate the upright habit and attractive color. Tight internodes and a V-shaped base produce high quality hearts. Arroyo is best planted in spring and fall slots.


**Carneros**
Carneros is a medium green, semi-savoy romaine for heart production. The frame is tall and upright, with a V-shaped base. Early to cup in, fast-filling and with good internal blanching, Carneros is the ideal product model for romaine heart production. Organic growers will appreciate the earliness of this variety.

*Resistances:* HR: Bl:16-26,28,32EU/1-9US/Nr:0/TBSV. | IR: Ss.

**Clouny**
Clouny is a dark green romaine with smooth ribs and a glossy leaf texture that is thick, but pliable. The frame is medium-sized with a narrow, V-shaped base that produces beautiful 9 in. (23 cm) hearts. This variety is slow to bolt and can be used for whole head production in Northern regions.


**Coastal Star**
Coastal Star is a well-loved romaine with dark green color and tall stature. The variety is early maturing and produces large, heavy heads that can be used for hearts or fresh pack. Widely adapted and can be grown spring through fall in most regions.

*Resistances:* IR: Ss.

**Jara**  new!
Jara produces top quality hearts with a high level of disease resistance, especially against downy mildew. This romaine is well-suited for front and tail end production in the desert Southwest.

*Resistances:* HR: Bl:16-35EU/1-9US/Fol:1/Nr:0/TBSV.

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**REGION:**

- N=Northern (winter freeze)
- S=Southern (mild winters)
- C=Coastal (moderate year-round)

For more specific growing recommendations, contact your regional Vitalis representative.

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Lettuce

Mezquite
A semi-savoy romaine with thick texture, a tapered base and straight ribs. Works well for the heart market, and the nice internal blanching provides an attractive product for the value-added segment as well. Performs best planted October through November in the desert Southwest region, and spring and fall slots in Northern regions.


Rainier
Rainier is a large green romaine for full size heads and fresh cut processing. The variety has an impressive disease package, including improved resistance to downy mildew, Tomato Bushy Stunt Virus (TBSV) and red aphid. Recommended for spring and fall production.


Tuolomne
This extra-large romaine has a substantial frame with an open habit that produces optimum weight and high yields. Tuolomne has smooth green leaves, a wide V-shaped base and narrow ribs. A broadly adaptable, consistent variety for both whole head and processing markets.


Blonde Romaine
Colbiana
In the desert Southwest, Colbiana works best for spring and fall. Given its robust, light-colored frame and blanched internal contrast, it is well suited for the value-added and heart markets. Colbiana has improved bolting tolerance compared to most blonde romaine varieties.

 Resistances: HR: Bl:16-32,34EU/1-8US/Nr:0/TBSV.

Weaverville
A blonde romaine targeting the value-added market with improved tolerance to fringe burn, while holding a short core. With red aphid resistance and excellent performance in coastal California, Weaverville has proven to be a great addition to the processing market.

 Resistances: HR: Bl:16-32,34EU/1-8US/Nr:0/TBSV.

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Lettuce

Green Mini Romaine
Xalbadora
A mini romaine with great fill, dark green color and high gloss. Xalbadora does well against tip burn and downy mildew, and is widely adaptable for full season production. More upright habit and slightly faster filling than Starhawk, which it replaces.

Red Mini Romaine
Breen
Breen is a unique red mini romaine, which closes nicely in the top, resulting in a perfectly formed heart. This great-tasting variety, which resembles a Treviso radicchio in appearance, has light colored veins that provide an attractive contrast with the reddish-brown leaves, and has excellent shelf life.
Resistances: HR: Bl:16-21,23-26,28-35EU/1-9US.

Pomegranate Crunch
This variety is a red mini romaine with an open habit and smooth texture. Faster growing than other red romaine varieties, with a brilliant poppy red color on the outside and a speckled red-green interior. Pomegranate Crunch pairs well with a solid green mini head for an attractive presentation.
Resistances: HR: Bl:16-27,29,34EU/1-8US/TBSV.

Green Little Gem
Dragoon
Dragoon is a well-filled, compact little gem. This variety has dark green, semi-savoy outer leaves, matures slowly and keeps a short core. It is strong against bolting and internal tipburn, and is appropriate for open field or unheated greenhouse production.

Newham
Newham is a smooth-leaved green little gem with red aphid resistance in the Spretnak class. Excellent fill, strong tipburn resistance and a very sweet flavor make this variety a standout. Suitable for year-round production in coastal regions, and spring, fall, and winter production in hotter areas.

Spretnak
A beautiful and tasty little gem with compact, well-closing heads, smooth outer leaves and tightly packed, blanched hearts. Best for spring and fall cultivation, with strong field tolerance to downy mildew.


HR: High resistance  I IR: Intermediate resistance  I T: Tolerance  
For explanation of codes of resistances, see page 47-49.
Lettuce

Red Little Gem
Truchas
A little gem / mini-romaine type that provides a stunning contrast between green hearts and dark cherry red leaves. The upright cylindrical shape, good uniformity and ease of cleaning make this an excellent complement to the Vitalis green little gem assortment.

Red Oakleaf
Bellevue
A red oakleaf ideal for full size or mini head harvest. Bellevue has a soft butter-like texture and very sweet flavor. Slightly bronzed cherry-red leaves contrast with a fresh green blanched heart. Excellent field holding capacity for full season production. Compared to Cantarix, Bellevue is slightly more filled and compact, and has improved downy mildew resistance.

Cantarix
Cantarix is a large-sized, dark red oakleaf lettuce with an attractive base. This variety produces dense heads with wide leaves, attractive color contrast and upright growth. Cantarix is best produced in the spring and early fall, with strong downy mildew and red aphid resistance, and excellent flavor.
Resistances: HR: Bl:16-26,28,32EU/1-9US/Nr:0/TBSV.

Lollo Bionda
Ilema
Ilema is an impressively voluminous green lollo, with a strong plant and nice leaf curliness. Ilema has a unique combination of fast growth, good weight, field holding capacity and very sweet flavor. Adaptable to open field and hydroponic growing conditions.

Lollo Rossa
Fossey
Good volume, dark red color and frilly leaves describe the outstanding characteristics of Fossey, a variety that can be grown throughout the year. It is strong against bolting and has an excellent resistance package. Fossey has an upright habit with thin leaves at the base, reducing susceptibility to bottom rot.
Resistances: HR: Bl:16-26,28,32EU/1-9US/Nr:0.
Lettuce

Green Incised

Green Reef

This unique one-cut lettuce is in a category of its own! Green Reef adds loft and diversity to any salad mix. Highly serrated green leaves have a thick texture and a narrow attachment. Good for whole head or one-cut harvest and recommended for spring and fall production.

 Resistances: HR: Bl:16-35EU/1-9US/Nr:0/Pb/TBSV.

Green Tango

Ezrilla

Ezrilla is a fast-growing green tango with attractively serrated, medium green leaves and a narrow cutting surface. This variety is recommended for adding texture, loft and crunch to the salad mix. Strong disease resistance and slow bolting make Ezrilla an adaptable variety throughout the year in most regions.


Ezthana new!

Ezthana stands out for its dark green color and compact plant habit. With strong leaves that maintain their shape in a salad mix and a crisp, sweet crunch, this variety is a great addition to the assortment.


Eztron

A vivid green tango variety with superior texture and a flavorful crunch. Leaves are deeply incised with a fine super-frilled outer edge, creating a unique product with amazing volume and loft. Eztron has intermediate speed, with improved bolting tolerance.


Greenwood

The largest of the green tangos in the Vitalis assortment, Greenwood offers the fastest speed with slow bolting capacity. Greenwood has light to medium green leaves that are softer in texture than the other green tangos, and sweet flavor. Downy mildew and red aphid resistance makes this an ideal choice for organic production.


Red Tango

Burgandy new!

Deeply incised leaves, crunchy texture and good volume make this red tango a nice complement to our green tango assortment. Burgandy leaves have a narrow attachment, with medium red outer leaf color and a vivid green interior.

 Resistances: HR: Bl:16-35EU/1-9US/Nr:0.

Redleaf

Brentwood

A lobed, deep red lettuce with a glossy, soft texture and a lot of dimension. The color contrast between the dark cherry and light green gradation on the leaf is striking. This variety has excellent bolt tolerance and produces leaves with a fine ripple. Good for mini head or one-cut harvest.


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For explanation of codes of resistances, see page 47-49.
Lettuce

Green Oakleaf

Hampton
Hampton is a voluminous, high leaf count, one-cut oakleaf. With dark, shiny green leaves that have a narrow attachment, this variety is ideal for mechanical or hand harvest. Very slow to bolt, Hampton is a flexible variety for year-round production.


Red Oakleaf

Boynton
This compact variety boasts a deep red color and three-dimensional oakleaf shape, adding loft to a salad mix and minimizing leaf matting. Boynton produces well throughout the season, and can be used for both mini heads and processing.

Resistances: HR: Bl:16-32EU/1-9US/Nr:0/Pb/TBSV.

Buckley
Buckley is a beautiful one-cut red oakleaf. Lobed, deep red leaves grow in an upright rosette, forming a highly presentable variety that can be harvested for whole heads or for a salad mix. Buckley is faster growing than most red varieties, and is suitable for full season production. Pair with Hampton green Eazyleaf for a vibrant display.


Red Romaine

Ezbruke
Ezbruke is a stunning red mini romaine with an open habit for either one-cut or whole head harvest. Heads form uniform leaves that are spring green at the base and deep cherry red on top. For whole head harvest, space plants 6 in. (15 cm) apart. For one-cut harvest, 4 in. (10 cm) spacing is recommended.


Molokai
Molokai is unique red romaine for whole leaf production. This variety produces loose heads of uniform 6 in. x 3 in. (15 cm x 8 cm) leaves. A beautiful red alternative for the whole leaf market.

Resistances: HR: Bl:16-35EU/1-9US/Nr:0/TBSV.

Red Butter Romaine

Stanford
This variety forms a beautiful rosette of uniform, pliable leaves that are dark red on top and green at the base. Stanford combines the leaf shape and texture of a butterhead, with the upright growth of a mini romaine. To harvest and display as a mini head, plant at 6 in. (15 cm) spacing. When planted at high density (3-4 in. / 8-10 cm), this one-cut lettuce adds a unique leaf shape and color to any salad mix.

Resistances: HR: Bl:16-35EU/1-9US/Nr:0/TBSV.


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Heated Greenhouse Lettuce

Green Crisp
Cristabel
Frilled ice lettuce leaf type with dark green color and very strong, thick leaf texture. Short core with more upright growth, this variety is high yielding and reliable in various conditions.


Green Butterhead
Espirando
Espirando is a medium-to-large butterhead with fresh green color and reliable performance in spring, summer and fall. The variety is strong against tipburn, yellow leaf edge, downy mildew and aphid damage. Growers will appreciate the closed base, which is easy to clean and allows for a beautiful presentation.

*Resistances:* HR: Bl:16-26,28-35EU/1-9US/Nr:0.

Fairly
Fairly is an outstanding butterhead variety for the long-day season. It is durable, fast growing and heads have excellent weight. Fairly has a closed, flat base, allowing for easy cleaning at harvest. This variety has a large frame, fine ribs and a bright medium green color.

*Resistances:* HR: Bl:16-34EU/1-8US/Nr:0/TBSV.

Greenleaf
Caipira
Caipira performs very well year-round, offering an attractive head with spring green color and sweet flavor. The variety maintains its compact size even during the heat, has good leaf size and high tolerance to internal tipburn.


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For explanation of codes of resistances, see page 47-49.
Heated Greenhouse Lettuce

**Green Oakleaf**
*Advisor*
Oak leaf variety with a strong base and a beautiful shiny color. Advisor is strong against tipburn and bolting.


**Lollo Bionda**
*Jokary*
Jokary is a quick growing variety with flexible leaves. The plant is compact and easy to pack, with an excellent presentation that especially fits well in trios.

*Resistances:* HR: Bl:16-35EU/1-9US/Nr:0.

**Lollo Rossa**
*Azirka*
Azirka is a triple red lollo type that has a very thick, crunchy leaf with nice flavor. The leaf is rounded with good three-dimensional structure. This variety also works well in trios.


**Mini Romaine**
*Xamena*
Xamena is fast growing, with good top closure and excellent holding capacity for flexible harvests of mini heads or hearts. It produces very nice cylindrical hearts that are well blanched and filled.


**Xiomara** new!
Xiomara is a dark green mini romaine with fast growth, very good bolting tolerance and a clean upright base.

## Green Romaine

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<td>Pensacola</td>
<td>A fast-growing green romaine with a smooth green color. The texture is thick, but pliable, with a slightly serrated margin. The leaf shape is ideal with a narrow attachment.</td>
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<td>Sycamore</td>
<td>A glossy medium green tango type with excellent thick texture and uniformity. The finely serrated leaf margins combine with a narrow basal attachment for a desirable leaf shape.</td>
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Arugula

Wild Rocket (*Diplotaxis tenuifolia*)

**Anastazia**
This variety combines upright, compact growth, dark green leaves and very thick texture. Anastazia has strong field tolerance to downy mildew and is recommended for warm season production.


**Bellezia**
Bellezia has an elegant look, with a striking dark color and uniform, highly serrated leaves. Strong field tolerance to downy mildew and excellent shelf life.


**Grazia**
A compact, uniform, dark green arugula variety with finely serrated leaves. Grazia is strong against bolting.

**Jolizia**
This thick-textured wild arugula has a very dark color, good uniformity and strong resistance to downy mildew.


**Letizia**
Letizia has good field tolerance to downy mildew and exceptionally thick-textured, smooth, medium-green, lobed leaves.


**Standard Selvatica**
Standard Selvatica is a very tasty wild arugula variety with appealing, finely serrated spicy leaves.

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**Resistance Makes the Difference**

Resistance Makes the Difference logo represents herb and arugula varieties bred for quality traits such as disease resistance and cold tolerance.

HR: High resistance    | IR: Intermediate resistance    | T: Tolerance
For explanation of codes of resistances, see page 47-49.
Variety Showcases

Field days provide a wonderful opportunity to collaborate with organic growers, other seed companies and researchers who share our vision to continually enhance the availability of quality organic seed. Here’s where we were in 2018:

**Enza Zaden / Vitalis Organic Seeds Research Station**

**LOCATION**
Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico

**CROPS ON DISPLAY**
Full screening of our tomato, pepper, cucumber, and zucchini assortment for Mexico

**ATTENDEES**
100+ organic growers, shippers and advisors

**HOT TOPICS**
Organic fertility management disease and insect management

**Seneca Vegetable Research**

**LOCATION**
Hall, NY

**CROPS ON DISPLAY**
Tomato, including ‘Suwanee M0’, melon, including ‘Iperione’, zucchini, including ‘Cash Machine’, pepper, including green bell ‘Placepack’ (to be available in organic form in 2020)

**ATTENDEES**
40+ East Coast dealer distributor representatives

**HOT TOPICS**
East Coast dealer insights on the newest varieties adapted to regional growing conditions

**North Willamette Research and Extension Center, Oregon State University (OSU)**

**LOCATION**
Aurora, OR

**CROPS ON DISPLAY**
Full EazyLeaf assortment, and featuring ‘Bellevue’ red oakleaf, ‘Annina’ striped eggplant, ‘Marsalato’ Marmande tomato, pepper and winter squash assortments

**ATTENDEES**
60+ growers, extension agents and industry representatives

**HOT TOPICS**
Varieties adapted to Pacific Northwest growing conditions

**Northern Organic Variety Improvement Collaborative (NOVIC)**

**LOCATION**
Corvallis, OR

**CROPS ON DISPLAY**
NOVIC “farmer’s choice” endive trial, field trials for late blight resistant tomatoes, early maturing colored peppers and winter squash

**ATTENDEES**
50+ growers, certifiers, university and non-profit representatives of NOVIC

**HOT TOPICS**
A dynamic tasting of varieties generated from the trials and project
**Endive**

**Curly**

**Curlesi** new!

Curlesi is a new addition to our endive assortment, complementing Maratoneta and Primaleta by providing strong filling during warm season conditions and with good tolerance to tipburn. This adaptable variety has a vigorous upright habit, compact frame and is well-suited for the fresh market.

**Maratoneta**

An improved curly endive variety with dark green outer leaves and a well filled, bright yellow heart. Plant habit is upright for ease of harvest and reduction of basal rot. Maratoneta has a large frame and grows best in cooler conditions. Very tolerant to bolting and suitable for both fresh and processing markets.

**Primaleta**

Primaleta has strong growing ability for cold season production. Best when grown for early spring harvest, it has fine ribs and strong bolt tolerance. Primaleta is slower growing than Maratoneta to allow for successional harvest. Uniform, large heads have the potential for high yields with densely filled, well-blanced interiors.

**Escarole**

**Leonida**

Smooth leaf, medium-green endive with a very upright habit, large frame and good volume of external and internal leaves. This variety has a strong tolerance to bolting and tipburn, with good field holding capacity.

**Séance**

A finely ribbed variety, Séance is voluminous with an erect habit, good heart filling and a clean base. Easy to harvest and very slow to bolt under hot conditions.

**Tres Fin**

**Benefine**

An impressive tres fin type with a shiny, dark green exterior color and well-blanced interior. Benefine has compact, upright, tightly filled heads that are strong against bolting. Suitable for growing in warm conditions, Benefine has impressive resistance to tipburn and produces high yields of nicely frilled leaves.

### ENDIVE

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**REGION:**

N=Northern (winter freeze)
S=Southern (mild winters)
C=Coastal (moderate year-round)
Spinach

Acadia F1
Acadia is a dark green, semi-savoyed spinach with good texture for babyleaf harvest. This slow growing variety has medium-sized, oval leaves and is recommended for main season production.


Corvair F1
Corvair produces nice oval-shaped, thick leaves that are upright in stature. It has wide adaptability, excellent yield and dark green color. Good in spring, fall and winter production.


Escalade F1
This flexible variety is excellent for both babyleaf and bunch harvest. Escalade performs well in spring, summer and fall production. It has thick, medium dark leaves and is very strong against bolting. Escalade’s field holding ability will make it a favorite when planted in the heat.

Resistance: HR: Pfs:1-14,16.

Shelby F1
This is an excellent transition variety for spring and fall, with high quality leaf shape and size. Shelby has large, oval-shaped leaves that are medium green in color. This babyleaf spinach offers consistency and uniformity during seasons with variable temperatures.


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Leek

Chinook F1
Chinook is a fast growing summer hybrid with exceptionally long, straight shanks that clean easily in the field. This variety has excellent uniformity and grows quickly even under cold conditions. Plants are medium green and upright. An excellent choice for reliable, high-quality, early season leeks.

Comanche F1 new!
A main season hybrid producing leeks with long shanks that are easy to peel. Comanche has dark green foliage and an upright habit. This adaptable variety has a flexible harvest window and can be marketed loose, in bunches or in cello packs.

Blauwgroene Herfst* Tadorna
Tadorna is a well-loved open pollinated standard for organic growers. This autumn-winter leek is uniform and can fit into most leek programs, given its adaptability to multiple growing regions. Tadorna has long white shanks and is easy to harvest and clean.

Takrima F1
Takrima is an early-intermediate maturity leek. Long, straight, white shanks are of excellent quality, never bulbing and highly self-blanching. Vigorous, healthy plants with tremendous root systems make this variety especially well-suited for organic conditions.

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Onion

Short Day
Francesca F1
Francesca is a mid-to-late short day yellow onion with strong tops and tolerance to Pink Root Rot. The exceptional bulb firmness makes this variety well-suited for mechanical harvest. Bulbs are approximately 3.0 in. (7.6 cm), globe-shaped and uniform.

Gabriella F1
Gabriella is a high yielding short day variety that is strong against bolting. Uniform bulbs have a mild to sweet flavor and an attractive globe shape. Yellow to brown in color, onions are large in size and will store for 2-4 months. Maturing mid-to-late season, this beauty will yield an excellent crop for fresh market and short term storage.

Madalyn F1
Madalyn is an early-to-mid short day yellow onion with excellent bolting tolerance for fresh market production. It produces globe shaped, bronze colored onions that are medium to large in size. Bulbs are single centered and tops are upright and vigorous. Madalyn is quick to mature and high yielding.

Intermediate Day
Cabernet F1
Cabernet is a medium-sized, intermediate red onion for storage, fresh market or export. With a vigorous plant habit, Cabernet produces uniform globe shaped bulbs of outstanding holding ability and quality. Excellent internal ring color development combined with single centers and partial resistance to foliar diseases make this variety a standard for organic onion production. Typical harvest is July through August, offering earliness, firmness and 4-6 month storability.

Monastrell F1
Monastrell is an intermediate day onion that boasts high quality bulbs. Plants are upright and strong against disease. With round to slightly flat shapes, this dark red onion shows strong sunscald tolerance. Monastrell matures slightly later than Cabernet and is larger in size. This variety has excellent internal ring color development and impressive storage capability for its class.

Zoey F1
Zoey is an adaptable intermediate yellow onion. High quality, uniform bulbs have a nice round shape, strong centers and good firmness. Plants are vigorous and have some tolerance to Pink Root Rot. This high-yielding onion has a nice mix of pungency and sweetness for the fresh market. Transplant or direct seed early in the season to maximize Zoey’s size potential.
Cauliflower

Janvel F1
Dense, well-filled curds make this an attractive variety for both fresh market and processing. Tall leaves of this vigorous plant provide excellent sunburn protection for curds. Recommended for late summer and fall harvest.

Mardi F1
Mardi is an early maturing cauliflower that develops uniform, white heads averaging 1.3-1.8 lb. (600-800 g). Plant habit is vigorous and upright, with partially self-wrapping leaves to protect the curds. Mardi is appreciated for its sweet, nutty flavor, and can be grown in the spring, summer and fall in Northern climates.

Fennel

Genesi F1
Genesi is an ideal fennel for late season plantings with very good cold tolerance. The dark foliage creates an umbrella shape around the bulb to help protect it. The bulb is compact, round and white, with minimal green veins and a small cutting surface. Genesi should not be planted in the heat, and is particularly well-suited for fall and winter production in coastal climates and the Pacific Northwest.

Idillio F1
Idillio is a vigorous late season fennel with good frost tolerance. The foliage is light green and bulbs are uniform, round, smooth and shiny. Idillio stands out for its post-harvest quality, especially its minimal oxidation at cut points. Idillio should not be planted in the heat, and is particularly well-suited for fall and winter production in coastal climates and the Pacific Northwest.

Preludio F1
Preludio is an early variety with good bolting tolerance. It produces uniform, round bulbs of standout quality and yield. Compact plants are very upright and bulbs have a narrow cutting surface for ease of harvest. With succession plantings, Preludio can be successfully harvested in spring, summer and early fall.

Variety technical sheet available.
Please visit http://usa.vitalisorganic.com/products-and-services/techsheets or ask your Vitalis representative.
American Slicer
Alcazar F1
An American slicer type with a vigorous and productive plant habit. The fruit is dark green, 8-9 in. (20-22 cm) in length and has excellent shelf life. Alcazar is suited to cooler temperatures and has intermediate maturity.

*Resistances: HR: Ccu. | IR: Px/CVYV.*

Corinto F1
An adaptable slicer variety that sets well under cool conditions. This variety is very productive and produces cylindrical, dark green, shiny, smooth fruit of 8-10 in. (20-25 cm) in length. The excellent disease resistance package makes this variety a great choice for both open field and unheated greenhouse production.

*Resistances: IR: Px/CMV/CVYV.*

Paraiso F1
Paraiso is a very flexible variety adapted well to varying growing conditions. The plant is vigorous and produces well in cold conditions. Fruits average 8-9 in. (20-22 cm) long, and are cylindrical, shiny and dark green. They have good shelf life and retain an attractive shine in storage.

*Resistances: IR: Px/CMV/CVYV/CYSDV.*

Primavera F1
Primavera is recommended for greenhouse cultivation in mild growing regions for fall, winter and early spring crops. Plants will quickly find the right balance of fruit and vegetative growth under these conditions. Primavera is labor-friendly with an open plant habit for ease of harvest. Fruits average 8-9 in. (20-22 cm), have very good shelf life and present beautifully on store shelves.

*Resistances: HR: Ccu. | IR: CMV/CVYV/Px.*

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Cucumber

Long European Type (LET)

Kaluna F1
Kalunga is a strong, compact, productive plant, that grows well in many different climates and planting slots. This early maturing variety produces one fruit per node. Dark green fruit are slightly ribbed and 12-13 in. (31-34 cm) in length. Fruits have good extended shelf life and are recommended for unheated greenhouse production.

Resistances: HR: Cca/Ccu. | IR: Px.

Poniente F1
Poniente offers a strong resistance package and produces uniform dark green fruit that are 12-13 in. (31-34 cm) long and nicely ribbed. The plant habit is vigorous with a dependable fruit set, 1-2 fruit per node and early maturity. Recommended for unheated and heated greenhouse production, Poniente performs best in the spring and fall in hot climates, and does well in spring, summer and fall in cooler climates.

Resistances: HR: Ccu. | IR: CMV/CVYV/CYSDV/Px.

Roxynante F1
Roxynante produces fruits that are dark green, cylindrical and slightly ribbed. It has excellent cold tolerance and high productivity. Fruits grow very straight, measuring 12-13 in. (31-34 cm) in length. Best grown in unheated greenhouse production for fall and winter production.

Resistances: HR: Cca/Ccu. | IR: CVYV.

Tyria F1
Tyria is a very vigorous variety, developing dark green, slightly ribbed, well-filled fruits of 13-14 in. (33-36 cm) in length with a gradual production change from the main stem to the laterals. It can be grown in the open field and unheated greenhouse over a broad range of seasons.

Resistances: HR: Cca/Ccu. | IR: Px.

Heated Greenhouse Long European Type (LET)

Asteroid F1 new!
Asteroid is a high yielding heated greenhouse variety with early maturity, vigorous plant habit and strong powdery mildew tolerance. Fruit are dark green, slightly ribbed and 13-14 in. (33-36 cm) in length. Asteroid is a widely adaptable variety with the strength to overcome harsh conditions, especially high temperatures, while remaining in good generative balance. Ideal for high wire production.

Resistances: HR: Cca/Ccu. | IR: CMV/CVYV/Px.

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Cucumber

Mini
Katrina F1
Katrina is a robust and productive mini cucumber with an open plant habit and only a few laterals. The fruits, 3-4 per node, are of top quality with great flavor. They are glossy, nicely ribbed, very uniform and 6 in. (16 cm) in length. Good resistance package for unheated greenhouse production.

Resistances: HR: Ccu. | IR: CMV/CVYV/Px.

Picolino F1
Picolino is a widely adaptable mini cucumber variety that is the smallest of the Vitalis assortment. Produces high quality, dark green, shiny fruits of 4-5 in. (10-13 cm) that are nicely ribbed and extremely uniform. With 3-4 fruits per node, the compact, vigorous plants are early to produce.

Resistances: HR: Cca/Ccu. | IR: CMV/CVYV/Px.

Socrates F1
Socrates is a dependable variety that produces dark green fruits of 6-7 in. (16-17 cm), which are both tender and sweet. Adapted to open field and unheated greenhouse conditions, Socrates performs best in spring and fall.

Resistances: HR: Ccu. | IR: Px.

Pickling
Excelsior F1
Excelsior is a high quality pickling cucumber for both open field and unheated greenhouse production in spring and fall. It has an open and vigorous plant habit, with fruits that are medium to dark green and 4-5 in. (10-13 cm) in length.

Resistances: HR: Cca/Ccu. | IR: CMV/CVYV/Px.

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Our Organic Commitment

Active participation in policy dialogue helps protect the integrity of the organic seal, and fortify the continued growth of the organic sector. Here are the issues and opportunities we worked on in 2018:

- **National Organic Standards Board (NOSB)** proposals about the appropriate use of new plant breeding techniques in varietal development for organic agriculture, and seed use guidance for criteria and goal setting in strengthening organic seed usage
- **American Seed Trade Association (ASTA)** Organic Committee Co-Chair, through which Vitalis educates and promotes the development of a formal organic seed sector
- **Organic Seed Alliance (OSA)** Board of Directors and planning support of the bi-annual Organic Seed Growers Conference
- **Organic Trade Association (OTA)** member, with active involvement in the Organic Seed Committee and funding support of the GRO Organic Campaign
- **Oregon Organic Council** Board of Directors representative
- **Canadian Organic Regime (COR)** proposal on organic seed usage and treatments
- **Mexico Organic Commission** support of national organic regulation and guidelines for organic seed usage including participation in the **Mexican Sanitary, Food Safety and Food Quality National Service (SENASICA)** organic regulatory review
- **ASTA Mexico Working Group, Border Workshops, Mexican Seed Trade Association (AMSAC) and OTA Mexico Working Group** on strategic processes to import a broader assortment of organic seed

Select sponsorships most aligned with our objectives and our customer base include:

- **Organic Extension Program** partnership between **Oregon State University (OSU) Extension Service and Oregon Tilth**, part of the OSU Center for Small Farms and Community Food Systems, which helps coordinate education and applied research in organic agriculture
- **Student Organic Seed Symposium (SOSS)** developed by and for graduate students pursuing organic seed system research
- **California Certified Organic Foundation (CCOF)** which advances organic agriculture for a healthy world, through education, hardship grants and consumer education
- **Organic Seed Finder**, a database including the varieties of all reputable organic seed companies, that helps farmers and certifiers find commercially available organic seed varieties to support their organic seed use regulatory requirement
- **GRO Organic** campaign facilitated by the **Organic Trade Association (OTA)** to support the organic check-off programming to promote, educate and perform consumer, soil and climate research
- **Organic Agriculture Research Forum** sponsored by the **Organic Farming Research Foundation (OFRF)**

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**Beef**

**Arbason F1**
Arbason is a large-sized beef tomato with an average weight of 7.0-9.0 oz. (200-255 g). Suitable for protected culture and open field production systems, Arbason is early maturing. The fruit is round in shape and has good quality with high production. The indeterminate plant grows very vigorously and is highly reliable under a wide variety of growing conditions.

*Resistances: HR: ToMV:0-2/Va:0/Vd:0/Fol:0-1.*

**Caiman F1**
This early maturing and high yielding indeterminate hybrid has a vigorous, open, compact plant with short internodes and good fruit set. The round fruit are large in size, 7.5-8.5 oz. (220-240 g), very tasty and have an attractive deep red color. Caiman is easy to cultivate, has leaf mold resistance and is recommended for high tunnel production.

*Resistances: HR: ToMV:0-2/Ff:A-E/Va:0/Vd:0/Fol:0-1. IR: TSWV/Ma/Mi/Mj.*

**Skyway 687 F1**
Skyway 687 produces large, high quality 12 oz. (355 g) tomatoes for open field production. This variety is especially well-suited for organic production in the Southeast because of its strong disease package, including virus and nematode resistance. Skyway has a vigorous, semi-determinate habit, and benefits significantly from pruning of ground shoots at the start of the crop. Wide adaptability to diverse growing conditions and regions.

*Resistances: HR: ToANV/Va:0/Vd:0/Fol:0-2. IR: TSWV/TYLCV/Ma/Mi/Mj.*

**SunFresh F1**
This attractive variety caught our eye from the very earliest trials with its deep red interior and exterior color, slight shoulder ribbing and flat globe shape. The strongly vegetative habit of this semi-determinant variety has the added advantage of producing well in low-fertility conditions. Bred specifically for the vine-ripe market, with good fruit firmness and a strong disease package, SunFresh is a unique new addition to the market.

*Resistances: HR: ToANV/Va:0/Vd:0/Fol:0-2. IR: TSWV/TYLCV/Ma/Mi/Mj.*

**Suwanee 140 F1**
Suwanee 140 produces beautiful deep globe fruit that are predominately extra-large, averaging 10.6 oz. (300 g). With a highly determinate plant habit, the early maturity and excellent leaf cover make this variety widely adaptable. Fruits are a deep red color, uniform, smooth and firm, with a nice flavor balance of acidity and sweetness. Strong disease package.

*Resistances: HR: ToANV/Va:0/Vd:0/Fol:0-2. IR: TSWV/TYLCV.*

**Winterhaven 163 F1**
Winterhaven 163 is a determinate round beef for open field production, with high yields of extra-large fruit averaging 10.2 oz. (290 g). Fruits are highly uniform, firm and smooth, with low incidence of gray wall. This variety performs very well in the late fall and early spring seasons in the Southeast. Due to the vegetative plant habit, pruning is recommended based on soil type: for light soils, leave two suckers below the fork and for heavy soils, leave three suckers below the fork.

*Resistances: HR: ToANV/Va:0/Vd:0/Fol:0-2. IR: TSWV/TYLCV.*

**Variety technical sheet available.**
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Tomato

Cherry
Sakura F1
Sakura is a standout cherry tomato, producing beautiful mid-sized round fruit of 0.6-0.8 oz. (18-22 g) with a sweet and tangy flavor. The fruits are tolerant to cracking, with well-attached sepals and magnificent trusses of 20 fruits or more. Well adapted to open field and unheated greenhouse production.

Resistances: HR: ToMV:0-2/Ff:A-E/Fol:0-1. | IR: Ma/Mi/Mj. | T: Si.

Toronjina F1
Toronjina is a highly attractive orange cherry tomato with vibrant color and good tolerance to cracking. Adaptable to open field and unheated greenhouse production, this orange cherry is an excellent addition to mixed pints of colored cherry tomatoes. Produces high yields of 0.5-0.7 oz. (15-20 g) tomatoes.


Grape
Montesino F1
A ‘Santa’ type grape tomato for production in open field and unheated greenhouses. Sweet, tasty fruits have an early to medium maturity window. The strong plant habit sets fruit easily and produces high yields of mini-plum shaped fruit that weigh approximately 0.3-0.5 oz. (10-14 g).

Resistances: HR: ToMV:0-2/Fol:0.

Matthew F1
Matthew is a unique variety that combines a robust plant habit and attractive orange grape tomatoes with great flavor. Plants are vigorous, early maturing and well-balanced. On average, fruits are 1.2 oz. (35 g) and can be grown in open field and unheated greenhouse systems year round.


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Tomato

Plum
PaiPai F1
PaiPai is an indeterminate plum tomato that produces extra-large fruit averaging 6.4 oz. (180 g). Tomatoes of 6-8 per cluster ripen evenly and are not susceptible to grey wall. The plant is notably strong and compact, and pruning is recommended to ensure proper aeration of the vigorous vines. With short internodes that allow for high yields, firm fruits and extended shelf life, PaiPai is a profitable variety for both growers and shippers.

*Resistances:* HR: ToMV:0-2/Va:0/Vd:0/Fol:0-1. | IR: TSWV/Ma/Mi/Mj.

Granadero F1
An indeterminate plum tomato variety with a compact vigorous plant for the open field or unheated greenhouse production. Granadero delivers high yields of large fruit, with an average weight of 5.0 oz. (150 g), and demonstrates tolerance to cooler conditions.

*Resistances:* HR: ToMV:0-2/Lt/Va:0/Vd:0/Fol:0-1. | IR: TSWV/Ma/Mi/Mj.

San Marzano
Pozzano F1
A traditional looking ‘San Marzano’ tomato that produces a bountiful yield of smooth shaped, uniform fruit of 5.0 oz. (150 g). Fruits are robust, without green shoulders, and have good tolerance to blossom end rot. The firm fruits have excellent shelf life.

*Resistances:* HR: ToMV:0-2/Va:0/Vd:0/Fol:0-1.

Marmande
Marsalato F1
This unique Marmande tomato originates from our specialty breeding program in Italy, and yields high numbers of 6.7 oz. (190 g) red fruit with deeply ribbed shoulders, a shiny exterior and small blossom scar. With a balanced, generative growth habit and leaf mold resistance, Marsalato is well-suited for protected culture, but also is adaptable to the open field, especially in more moderate climates. We suggest harvesting fruit with slightly green shoulders for a crisp texture and a tangy flavor.

*Resistances:* HR: ToMV:0-2/ToANV/Ff:A-E/Va:0/Vd:0/Fol:0/For.

Pink
Dimerosa F1
Dimerosa is an indeterminate pink beef tomato suitable for high tunnel production. Fruits are large and flat-round, with a dark pink color and subtle ribbing. Dimerosa fruit are strong against cracking and weigh an average of 6.4-7.8 oz. (180-220 g). Plants are relatively short with early maturity, high yielding and boast a strong disease package. Adaptable across a broad range of production areas.


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Large Beef
Frederik F1
Frederik is an adaptable variety that performs well in all conditions, including under periods of low light. With resistance to leaf mold and powdery mildew, this indeterminate tomato has excellent endurance and strong vigor for long cycles. Pruned trusses of four will produce large, firm, flat-round tomatoes averaging 7.4-8.7 oz. (210-247 g). Frederik's high quality fruits have excellent shelf life.

Stenza F1
Stenza is a beefsteak variety that consistently yields uniform fruits averaging 9.9-10.6 oz. (280-300 g). Indeterminate plants have good leaf coverage and strong productivity throughout the growing season, especially during the hottest periods, with minimal flower abortion. Fruits have a long shelf life and a well-balanced flavor.
Resistances: HR: ToMV:0-2/ToANV/Ff:A-E/Fol:0-1/For.

Tomato on the Vine (TOV)
Maxeza F1
Maxeza is a unique truss tomato that combines high yield potential with good fruit color and firmness. The plant is very vigorous and will maintain uniform fruit sizes of 4.9-5.3 oz. (140-150 g), even during the heat of the summer. Maxeza is the perfect variety for growers who are aiming for early and sustained production.

Cocktail
Annamay F1
Annamay is a slightly smaller cocktail tomato with an average weight of 1.2-1.4 oz. (35-40 g). Balanced plants have good vigor and a strong resistance package. The trusses are well-shaped, compact and very uniform. Attractive fruits are glossy and crack-resistant, with a sweet, aromatic flavor.

Cherry
Tomagino F1
Tomagino stands out for its sweet flavor and its strong resistance to splitting. Well-balanced plants have excellent setting and are fast to mature, making it suitable for year round production. Expect 0.6-0.7 oz. (17-20 g) fruits, with superior color and shine, on highly uniform vines. This variety also works well for TOV (tomatoes on the vine) production.
Resistances: HR: ToMV:0-2/Va:0/Vd:0/Fol:0-1/For. | IR: On.

Grape
Garincha F1
Garincha is a beautiful, oval shaped grape tomato for heated greenhouse production. It has a vigorous, easily-balanced plant type. Uniform fruits are 0.4 oz. (12 g) in size with an attractive, shiny red color. The production capacity of Garincha is extraordinary. Trusses set well as the plant grows, staying in balance through a long cropping cycle. Garincha is very suitable for loose harvest, but also can be harvested on the truss.
Resistances: HR: ToMV:0-2/Fol:0-1. | IR: TSWV/Ma/Mi/Mj.

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Sweet Pepper

Blocky Green to Red
Beachcraft F1 new!
Our newest bell pepper, Beachcraft is a high yielding open field variety that produces smooth, blocky fruits with a high percentage of four lobes. Fruits are well spaced on compact plants, reducing the number of unmarketable fruit. This widely adapted variety has good leaf cover, minimal cracking and heavy fruit set.

Resistances: HR: Xcv:1-3/Tm:0, IR: TSWV:0.

Olympus F1
Olympus is an extra-large, 4 in. (10 cm+) and slightly elongated blocky bell. It colors from green to dark red and has thick side walls. It is very productive and has a vigorous bush that provides plenty of shade for those long seasons. Recommended for open field production.


Sprinter F1
Sprinter produces high yields of beautiful 3.5 in. (8-9 cm) peppers for a long production period. This variety is not sensitive to blossom end rot or russetting. Sprinter will turn a brilliant red at maturity, with thick walls and sweet flavor. Recommended for open field and unheated greenhouse production.

Resistances: HR: Tm:0-3.

Blocky Yellow
Abay F1
Abay produces extra-large fruits of 4 in. (10 cm) with thick walls that mature from dark green to yellow. Suitable for spring and fall plantings in the open field in the Southeast, and as a late season main crop in the Northeast and Midwest. Excellent Bacterial Leaf Spot resistance.

Resistances: HR: Xcv:1-5/Tm:0.

Blocky Orange
Milena F1
Milena is an early maturing orange bell. High quality fruits have a dark orange color and large size, averaging 3.5 in. (8-9 cm). The plant has a vigorous, open habit with good yield and strong resistance to viruses. Best suited for open field and unheated tunnel production. Milena is a standout variety that delivers uniform fruits and high productivity.

Resistances: HR: PVY:0-1/Tm:0-3, IR: TSWV:0/TEV.

Mozart F1
Mozart is a brilliant orange blocky pepper for unheated greenhouse production. Uniform, high quality, blocky fruits are resistant to cracking. Fruits maintain extra-large size of 4 in. (10 cm) over a long harvest cycle. The plant has an open habit that is easy to prune. Mozart is widely adapted.

Resistances: HR: Tm:0-3, IR: TSWV:0.

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Diverse Pepper

Long Sweet Conicals
Oranos F1
This outstanding orange conical pepper is a very early variety that produces vigorous plants with fruits 7 x 1.5 in. (18 x 4 cm) in size. Oranos is especially appreciated for its high yields and easy growth habit. Staking this variety is recommended to ensure a long harvest window.

Resistances: HR: Tm:0.

Hot Pepper

Ancho
Bastan F1
This flavorful pepper has good heat and matures to a beautiful chocolate color. Medium sized fruits average 5.5 x 2.5 in. (14 x 6 cm), are thick walled and have a dark green color prior to ripening. The plant produces a concentrated set of consistently high quality fruits for fresh market. Thanks to robust leaf cover and medium-early maturity, Bastan delivers excellent yields.
Healey F1
Healey produces large quantities of extra-large and jumbo red peppers of 3.5 in. (8-9 cm). Plants are sturdy with good vigor and adaptability to variable conditions. Fruits are uniform, firm and tasty. This variety is strong against russetting and blossom end rot. Healey has early to medium maturity and is high yielding. The open, strong plant habit requires generative steering. In addition to its superior fruit quality, Healey maintains its large sizes in the second half of the cultivation cycle.

**Resistances:** HR: Tm:0-2.

Mavera F1  new!
Mavera is a balanced plant with easy setting in low light conditions. Extra-large and jumbo fruit which average 3.5 in. (8-9 cm) are fast to turn red. Mavera should be grown in a vegetative production system, especially poly structures, for optimal performance.

**Resistances:** HR: Tm:0-2. | IR: TSWV:0.

Triple 5 F1
Triple 5 has a semi-open plant architecture and a generative habit that sets fruit easily. This high yielding variety works best when managed as a fast growing crop. High quality fruits are uniform and blocky during the entire life of the crop. Fruits average 3.5 in. (8-9 cm).

**Resistances:** HR: Tm:0-3. | IR: Ma/Mi/Mj.

Viper F1
Viper is a high quality variety with good yields that is also fairly early. Fruits average 3.5 in. (8-9 cm) and have an impressive weight. Fruit set is regular and evenly distributed throughout the plant, adaptable to almost all conditions. Viper has an open plant habit with a lot of vigor, and is best grown at high speed.

**Resistances:** HR: Tm:0-2.

Eurix F1
This yellow blocky bell pepper was a standout in trials for its early maturity, consistently high yields and ease of fruit set. Eurix has a strong root system which contributes to a uniform fruit size of 3.7 in. (9.4 cm), as well as adaptability to a range of growing conditions while maintaining a generative balance. Fruit is light green when immature, and colors to a medium yellow, with exceptional shelf-life.

**Resistances:** HR: Tm:0-2.

Gialte F1  new!
Gialte is a yellow blocky pepper with exceptional production and quality. The flexible nature of this variety makes it well-suited to all cultivation systems. Fruit size is medium to large, and works well for mixed bag sales. With an attractive yellow color, good uniformity and excellent shelf-life, Gialte is a great addition to a colored bell program.

**Resistances:** HR: Tm:0-3.

Orbit F1
Orbit is an orange blocky bell pepper with a vigorous plant habit and high yield. Recent trials in Canada, the USA and Mexico have shown Orbit to be adaptable in early and late sowings and productive throughout the season. Fruits average 3.3-3.5 in. (8-9 cm). This exciting addition offers growers a versatile and high-quality orange pepper with impressive shelf life that will nicely round out their assortment.

**Resistances:** HR: Tm:0-3.
Rootstock

**Tomato Rootstock**

**Estartano F1** new!

Estartano is our strongest rootstock, maintaining a balanced growth effect on the scion and not becoming too vigorous. The endurance of this rootstock ensures excellent plant vigor and high fruit production until the end of the growing season. In long season production (8+ months), when the roots are stressed by moving from cold to warm weather, Estartano ensures that the average fruit weight remains stable, resulting in increased total yields.

Resistances: HR: ToMV:0-2/Ff:A-E/Va:0/Vd:0/Fol:0-2/For. IR: TSWV/Ma/Mi/Mj.

**Estamino F1**

A vigorous rootstock with an early generative effect on the growth of the scion. An Estamino graft results in a well-balanced plant with steady production throughout the cultivation cycle. Estamino can be used to control excessive vegetative growth and increase total yield. This rootstock is recommended for short season (5-7 months) production.

Resistances: HR: ToMV:0-2/Ff:A-E/Va:0/Vd:0/Fol:0-2/For. IR: TSWV/Pl/Ma/Mi/Mj.

**Fortamino F1**

Fortamino is especially recommended for use when transplanting into hot or stressed growing conditions. The strong root system provides extra vegetative power to the scion in the early stage of growth, developing very good leaf cover and ensuring excellent recovery after experiencing unfavorable conditions. Grafting onto Fortamino rootstock will also increase the number of flowers per truss, the average fruit weight and fruit size uniformity, especially for large-fruited heirlooms. Fortamino is adaptable to both short and long season production.

Resistances: HR: ToMV:0-2/Ff:A-E/Va:0/Vd:0/Fol:0-2/For. IR: TSWV/Pl/Ma/Mi/Mj.

**Cucurbit Rootstock**

**Flexifort F1**

Use of Flexifort rootstock is recommended for cucumber, melon and watermelon growers seeking a longer, healthier crop. This rootstock brings increased vigor and a high return of quality fruits. Flexifort is an interspecific *Cucurbita maxima* x *Cucurbita moschata* cross that combines nicely with a wide number of varieties. It provides resistance to several soil borne diseases, as well as abiotic stresses such as drought, temperature extremes and high salinity.


**Pepper Rootstock**

**Odysseus F1** new!

Odysseus is our newest pepper rootstock that is especially designed for heated greenhouse growers interested in boosting their pepper yields. The vegetative power of Odysseus can easily be converted to increased fruit production when matched with a generative scion. This rootstock is ideal for glass greenhouses or harsh environments.

Resistances: HR: Tm:0.

**Scarface F1**

For growers struggling with nematode pressure in their tunnel or greenhouse, Scarface pepper rootstock is the solution! Scarface performs best when grafted to generative scions, and will increase yields by extending the production season longer than is possible with ungrafted plants. Scarface can be used in both heated and unheated greenhouse conditions.

Resistances: HR: Tm:0. IR: Ma/Mi/Mj.

## Organic Conferences 2018

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**Eggplant**

**Annina F1** new!
This gorgeous striped eggplant will not fail to impress growers and eaters alike. This adaptable variety produces well in both high tunnel and open field production systems, and yields half-long, uniform fruit that average 0.7 lb. (318 g). Growers will appreciate the spineless calyx, and customers will love the deep purple color striped with fine white lines.

**Traviata**
Traviata is a strong growing, well-balanced plant that produces half-long, uniform, black, shiny fruits. A high yielding and early variety recommended for spring and summer open field and unheated greenhouse production.

**Radish**

**Celesta**
Celesta produces red, round, uniform bulbs of excellent quality. It has compact, strong, upright foliage that allows for easy harvest. Celesta is broadly adaptable and recommended for open field and high tunnel production.

**Pearl**
A white, smooth, round radish with a small green neck for open field production. Pearl has very vigorous growth and good resistance to cracking. It is adaptable as a processing radish in cello bags or in fresh bunches, due to its strong tops. This variety shines when mixed with red round radishes.

Specialty Cantaloupe
Divergent

Divergent defies classification—part Cantaloupe, part Galia, all flavor! This variety is sweet (Brix 15-18°), juicy and ripens earliest in its class. Orange fleshed, round fruits are medium-size, 2.6-3.0 lb. (1.2-1.4 kg) and set close to the crown for a concentrated harvest. Succession plantings are recommended for a continuous supply throughout the season, as the early maturity allows for the crop to be harvested in two to three passes. Noted for its uniformity in maturity, melons are ready to harvest when the netting begins to turn from green to tan. Divergent is an adaptable, high yielding variety that performs well in many regions, including northern areas with shorter seasons. Recommended for fresh market production only.


Italian Netted
Iperione F1 new!

Iperione is a modern Tuscan variety that delivers on yield, field holding ability and eating quality. The creamy shell and persistent green sutures contrast well to create an outstanding presentation in stores or at the farm stand. Fruit are uniform, with very good shelf-life.


Tirreno F1

Tirreno is a favorite among northern growers. It was selected for its flavor, uniformity and solid production under organic conditions. Tirreno produces round to slightly high round fruits with uniform sutures and thick netting. It has excellent fruit quality with good flesh structure and a slightly thick, green rind. Brix levels average 13-15°. Exterior skin color is grey to cream with an interior orange flesh color. It produces 2.6-3.0 lb. (1.2-1.4 kg) fruits.

Summer Squash

Zucchini, Green
Alessandra F1
Alessandra is a green zucchini with impressive disease resistance and intermediate maturity. Dark green, cylindrical fruits are formed on a balanced, upright plant. Fruits set well under hot conditions. Alessandra is recommended for summer through fall production, especially in areas with high virus pressure.

*Resistances:* IR: Px/CMV/ZYMV/WMV/PRSV.

Cash Machine new!
Cash Machine produces very high quality medium dark green zucchini with light flecking and a small blossom scar. Plant habit is compact, upright and semi-open, making this variety a great choice for high tunnels and tight spacing. Combined with its excellent disease package, Cash Machine delivers high yields of uniform, attractive fruit.

*Resistances:* IR: Px/CMV/ZYMV/WMV.

Desert F1
Desert produces very dark green uniform fruits that set well under a variety of conditions. Fruits are straight, uniform and slightly speckled. Open, compact plants allow for easy harvest. Desert works well under high tunnel production conditions due to early and productive flowering. It has a strong disease resistance package.

*Resistances:* IR: Px/CMV/ZYMV/WMV/PRSV.

Dunja F1
Dunja has emerged as a standout variety for organic production. The plant has a vigorous, open growth habit, sets fruits easily and is high yielding. Fruits are medium-dark green, moderately flecked and shiny. Dunja also has a strong disease resistance package, and is appropriate for open field or tunnel production.

*Resistances:* IR: Px/ZYMV/WMV/PRSV.

Green Machine F1
Consistently a top performer in Midwest and East Coast field trials, Green Machine is a steady producer of uniform, medium green fruits of exceptional quality. With high yield potential and an open, labor-friendly plant habit, Green Machine also offers strong protection against virus and powdery mildew.

*Resistances:* IR: Px/CMV/ZYMV/WMV.

Kopana F1
Kopana is a dark green zucchini with heavy flecking selected for high tunnel production in the spring. Plants are vigorous, while maintaining an open, well-balanced habit. Fruits are shiny with a slight taper. Selected to set fruit under cool conditions, Kopana works best in the presence of some natural pollinators. With strong yields and an upright habit, this variety will produce uniform, high quality fruits for the early market.

*Resistances:* IR: Px/ZYMV/WMV/PRSV.
Summer Squash

Zucchini, Yellow
Yellowfin F1
Yellowfin has a brilliant yellow color and produces high yields of straight, cylindrical fruits. Compact plants are vigorous and have an open habit for ease of harvest. This variety has the vigor and disease resistance required to withstand tough field conditions and still produce an abundant harvest. Strong resistance to powdery mildew.

*Resistances: IR: Px/CMV.*

Romanesco
Cassia F1
This hybrid romanesco zucchini boasts a vigorous, open, upright plant that is highly uniform and productive, even in low fertility environments. Cassia does well in cooler conditions, and growers will appreciate its more compact habit compared to traditional romanesco varieties. Fruits are straight with grey-green ribbing. Attractive yellow blossoms adhere strongly to the fruit, creating a vibrant and unique market display.

Winter Squash

Butternut
Havana F1
Havana is the largest of our butternuts, with tan fruits that average 3-4 lb. (1.3-1.8 kg). This variety is uniform and extremely productive. Blocky fruits have a thick neck and a small seed cavity. Flesh is deep orange color with a nutty flavor. The plant is vigorous and semi-vining, with some tolerance to powdery mildew. Havana has good post-harvest shelf life, and ripens fairly early for its size.

*Resistances: IR: Px/ZYMV.*

Tiana F1
Tiana is a blocky, slightly cylindrical variety with an average fruit size of 2.2-2.5 lb. (1.0-1.2 kg) and fruit dimensions of 7 x 3 in. (18 x 8 cm). The yield potential of Tiana is up to 50% higher than any open pollinated butternut. The fruit quality is very consistent and the exterior skin color is a dark tan color.

*Resistances: IR: ZYMV.*

Halloween Pumpkin
Bellatrix F1
Our first Halloween pumpkin, Bellatrix stands out as a widely adapted large-fruited orange pumpkin with a strong, dark green handle. The variety has a flexible planting window due to its early maturity, and yields fruit that average 20-25 lb. (9.1-11.3 kg) in Southern latitudes, and upwards of 25 lb. (11.3 kg) in the North.

*Resistances: IR: Px.*
### Basil *Ocimum basilicum*

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<td>Our largest-leaf Genovese type basil that is very uniform and fast growing. Dolly demonstrates better tolerance against low temperatures compared to other basil varieties.</td>
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| **Eleonora** | Eleonora is a fast growing variety that has intermediate resistance to downy mildew – it is consistently slower to get downy mildew than other varieties on the market. Medium green leaves are slightly narrower and less cupped than a traditional Genovese type.  
*Resistances: IR: Pb.* |
| **Elidia** | Elidia is a Genovese type with intermediate resistance to Fusarium. Large, dark green, glossy leaves are borne on thick, sturdy stems with medium internodes. This variety is high yielding and very slow to bolt.  
*Resistances: IR: Fob.* |
| **Emily** | A compact Genovese type with medium to large leaves. Emily is highly recommended for its improved shelf-life. Adapted to both field and greenhouse production, with excellent leaf and plant size for whole plant sales or fresh cut. |
| **Emma** | The next generation of our downy mildew tolerant basil varieties, Emma is particularly well-suited for indoor pot production. Emma has short internodes and uniform cupped leaves.  
*Resistances: IR: Pb.* |
| **Genoveser** | Traditional cup-shaped, dark green, shiny leaved variety for field production. High yielding with strong, sweet basil aroma. |
| **Keira** | Keira has been bred for improved shelf-life and post-harvest tolerance to cold temperatures. Medium size, shiny leaves and short internodes are ideal for pot production, but also works in the open field. Keira delivers an attractive end product after transport. |
| **Piccolino** | Piccolino is a specialty ‘Greek’ type basil that produces uniform, compact plants with small, aromatic leaves. The globe shape plant habit is particularly well-suited for pot production or for use in ornamental plantings. |
| **Rosie** | Improved ‘Red Rubin’ basil with a consistent, intense dark red color and compact and upright growth on robust stems. |
Herbs

Chives *Allium schoenoprasum*

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<td>Staro</td>
<td>An extra thick, dark green variety for a broad range of growing purposes, including forcing and pot production. Appropriate for fresh cut and industrial markets.</td>
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Cilantro *Coriandrum sativum*

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<td>Marino</td>
<td>Thickly feathered leaf cilantro with excellent plant emergence, late bolting and high yielding for open field or greenhouse production.</td>
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Dill *Anethum graveolens*

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<td>Green Sleeves</td>
<td>A uniform dark green dill for production of fresh bunches. Green Sleeves is resistant to bolting and is suited for year-round growing in open field and greenhouse production.</td>
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HR: High resistance  IR: Intermediate resistance  I  T: Tolerance
For explanation of codes of resistances, see page 47-49.

Parsley, Flat Leaf *Petroselinum crispum*

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<td>Peione is a standout Italian large leaf variety with large, glossy, dark green leaves and uniform habit. Vigorous plants are highly productive, with strong regrowth and intermediate resistance to downy mildew. Thick, sturdy stems and upright growth make for easy bunching. Resistances: IR: Pp.</td>
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Parsley, Curly Leaf *Petroselinum crispum*

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Sage *Salvia officinalis*

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Thyme *Thymus vulgaris*

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Watercress *Nasturtium officinales*

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<td>This succulent and pungent True Watercress is an excellent addition to babyleaf blends. Adaptable for pot and open field production, and works particularly well as a micro-green.</td>
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[Herbs recommended for pot production.]
Resistance Makes the Difference

Cooking is hot, and fresh herbs are part of that trend. In the Western World the demand for live herbs in pots, clamshells and fresh cut bunches has been steadily increasing for many years now. No surprise there, because what could be easier and more satisfying than snipping a fresh bouquet garnish on your own window ledge, balcony or patio? Vitalis supports this development by offering both growers and end users herb varieties that are less susceptible to diseases and have extended shelflife.

Focus on resistance
Around ten years ago we tightened the breeding objectives of several herb varieties to gear them more to the needs of our customers and end users. They want plants with good resistance and year-round homogeneous, reliable production. Therefore, we now actively focus on resistance and quality traits breeding by selecting and crossing specific genetic characteristics that make the plants resistant or less susceptible to common diseases with extended shelf life. Important in the breeding process are resistances to the most common fungal diseases and tolerance of low temperatures in parts of the supply chain. And year-round production and supply are an absolute must for the large, specialist commercial nurseries.

Successful varieties
The focus on genetic resistance and extended shelf life has had the desired effect. In 2016, we officially launched our first Downy Mildew intermediate resistant basil variety on the market with overwhelming success, ‘Eleonora’. Since then, we released another Downy Mildew intermediate resistant basil variety targeted explicitly for hydroponic production, ‘Emma’. We also commercialized the basil variety ‘Elidia’ that is resistant to Fusarium, which can cause root rot. Elidia also produces high yields of large leaves and excellent field standability. For hydroponic growers seeking a variety that has improved tolerance to cold in the supply chain, we offer ‘Keira’ basil. Simultaneously, we have introduced parsley varieties with intermediate resistance to Downy Mildew: a large flat-leaf parsley variety with high yields, thick long stems, and a brilliant glossy green color ‘Peione’, and a dark curly very uniform parsley variety ‘Wega’ - perfect for pots or bunch.

Second generation
We refer to them as the herb varieties of the ‘second generation’: varieties that have an attractive color and good flavor, and at the same time ensure more reliable cultivation, and better shelf life keeping a quality product at the end consumers’ homes. They are ‘so to speak’ a bit more forgiving in conditions that are not ideal, which can happen in the sales channel and consumers’ homes.

Quality mark
In the coming years we will continue to steadily expand our range of resistant and tolerant herb varieties for sale in pots, clamshell and bunch. To indicate these second generation herb varieties we developed a quality mark, called ‘Resistance Makes the Difference’. With this quality mark we can indicate these varieties to our customers. In that way they know immediately, which varieties have the special characteristics that will enhance their production and consumption experience.
Descriptions, recommendations and illustrations in this catalogue correspond as closely as possible to tests and practical experience. This information is provided to assist professional growers and users; however, variable local conditions must be taken into account. Under no circumstances shall Vitalis Organic Seeds, North America, accept liability based on such information for deviating results in the cultivated product. The Purchaser is responsible for determining whether the items are suitable for the intended cultivation type and location.

### Important Resistance Information:
Resistances in varieties of our crops are coded, unless indicated otherwise. See explanation of our coding list at www.vitalisorganic.com. If in a resistance code of a certain variety reference is made to certain strains for which the resistance is claimed, this means that no resistance is claimed to other strains of the same pathogen.

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**HR**: High Resistance | **IR**: Intermediate Resistance | **T**: Tolerance

High Resistance (HR): Plant varieties that highly restrict the growth and development of the specified pest or pathogen under normal pest or pathogen pressure when compared to susceptible varieties. These plant varieties may, however, exhibit some symptoms or damage under heavy pest or pathogen pressure.

Intermediate Resistance (IR): Plant varieties that limit the growth and development of the specified pest or pathogen, but may exhibit a greater range of symptoms or damage compared to highly resistant varieties. Intermediate resistance plant varieties will still show less severe symptoms or damage than susceptible plant varieties when grown under similar conditions.

Tolerance (T): The ability of a plant variety to endure abiotic stress without serious consequences for growth, appearance and yield.
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## Quality Standards

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- **EazyLeaf one-cuts** featuring new ‘Burgandy’, ‘Molokai’ and ‘Boynton’
- **Babyleaf** assortment with updated downy mildew and aphid resistance and new ‘Anastazia’ arugula and new ‘Sycamore’ green tango
- **Traditional lettuces** the most diverse assortment by type, with the most advanced resistances
- **Short and intermediate day onions**, including yellow ‘Gabriella’, ‘Francesca’ and ‘Madalyn’ and red ‘Monastrell’
- **Culinary herbs**, including new ‘Emma’ basil with intermediate downy mildew resistance and adapted for potted production
- **Southeast-adapted beef tomatoes**, including new ‘Winterhaven’, ‘Suwanee’ and ‘SunFresh’
- **Compelling, Italy-influenced innovations** including ‘Annina’ striped eggplant, ‘Marsalato’ Marmande tomato, and ‘Iperione’ Tuscan melon