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Amethyst Jewel	Specialty	Gorgeous pink with purple amethyst splashes. Large trusses load up with great tasting exotic looking fruit. 1-3 oz. Large production. Indeterminate. 80 days	3.3	16	2.9	12	3.3	12	meaty, juicy (2), bright red, red, mild, a little non-acidic
Austin's Red Pear	Cherry	Yields abundant crop of extra-large, 2-ounce (up to 2"), red, pear-shaped cherry tomatoes. A perfect choice for a snacking tomato, or in salads. Mid season.	2.8	10	2.3	8	2.7	7	
Azoychka	Heirloom	Yellow. Small beefsteak, 8 oz. Early ripener. Very flavorful with hint of citrus. Indeterminate. 70 days.	3.6	14	3.5	10	3.8	9	good mix of flesh and juice, beautiful yellow, tangy
Bedouin	Heirloom	A very flavorful and delicious fruit. Deep, dark brick color, pear shaped and weigh 3-6 ounces. Meaty and rich, perfect for canning or fresh eating. Distinctive and well worth growing. Indeterminate. 75 days.	2.8	14	2.3	10	3.4	12	beautiful color, not so much flavor, flavor is bland
Berkeley Tie Dye Pink Oval	Specialty	From Berkeley Tie Dye Pink, but producing oval-egg shaped fruits with pink skin,	4.0	2	4.0	2	4.0	2	complex
BHN 444	Easy Grower		3.0	18	3.3	16	3.3	14	
Black and Brown Boar	Specialty	A colorful and fun tomato producing variable sized fruits with prominent brown and green stripes. The tasty fruits range from 4-12 ounces and have a nice, acid flavor. Eye-	3.0	19	3.2	12	4.2	14	tart-nice, very juicy, beautiful red, lovely, too wet, juicy, beautiful green and red large fruit!
Black Cherry	Cherry	Dark fruit, sweet and complex. An outstanding and sharp tasting cherry with deep mahogany coloring. Indeterminate. 65 days.	4.2	23	3.6	14	4.4	16	nice biter, sweet (3), delicious
Black Krim	Heirloom	Flattened 4-5" globes with dark greenish-black shoulders, which can turn almost black with enough heat and sun. Likes hot weather. Rich complex flavor, sweet-tasting fruit. Indeterminate. 75 – 90 days.	3.4	15	3.1	12	4.4	10	good color, lovely, lovely dark tomato!, very juicy, nice big tomato, moldy taste

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Blonde Boar	Specialty	2-4 oz. Round, very pale yellow white with green stripes that turn gold. Very good flavor not found in most white tomatoes. Good production. Indeterminate. Mid-season.	3.5	12	3.6	9	3.3	7	acidic, meaty, golden yellow, beautiful color
Brandy Boy	Easy Grower	produces loads of large pink fruits up to 5 ½" across. The fruits ripen evenly, and	4.1	22	3.6	18	3.9	19	very juicy, sweet!, mellow, wonderful taste, gorgeous, large red lobed fruit is lovely
Carmelita	Easy Grower	Pink/red 8 ounce fruit, very productive. Indeterminate. 74 days.	2.2	13	2.6	7	3.3	8	thin taste, tough skin (3), bland
Celebrity	Easy Grower	Red. Easy grower, flavorful, large firm tomatoes (8 – 12 oz), strong vines, disease resistant. Good slicing tomato. Determinate. 70 days.	3.2	22	3.2	16	3.8	16	texture: good; appearance: pretty, beautiful red; other: good dependable taste, bot boring, acidic, good overall, nothing outstanding, nice flavor
Cherokee Purple	Heirloom	Dusky rose, purple fruit, large 10 – 12 oz, heavy producer. Very popular tomato from Tennessee. Sweet rich flavor.	3.9	19	4.0	12	4.3	12	meaty, beautiful fruit, very pretty beautiful, lovely fruit, flavor is interesting, complex, great flavor balance of sweet/acid, complex flavor
Coyote	Cherry	A yellow jewel-like cherry, that bears 6 to 8 on a branch. Very flavorful. Indeterminate. Mid season.	3.5	6	3.0	6	3.2	6	very sweet
Cream Sausage	Paste	This is a terrific, yet unusual tomato. The creamy-yellow fruit are elongated, with a nicely sweet flavor. Determinate. 73 days.	3.8	12	3.9	9	3.8	7	sweet and mild, sweet, juicy, nice, light yellow, beautiful, mild, too bland, nice-mild flavor, sweet!, sweet and creamy
Dino Eggs	Heirloom	Egg-shaped fruits that have a captivating, striped yellow and orange skin. Pulp is orange-yellow, with very good flavor having a bit of an tart acidic tinge amidst its sweetness. Fruits grow to 4 oz.	4.1	15	3.5	12	3.8	12	skin tough, yum!, sweet nice taste!, tasty
Green Grape	Cherry	Soft, fleshy fruit has a delicious, yet unusual sweet flavor. Unique and bound to cause a lot of interest, served whole or sliced in salads. Indeterminate. 60 days.	3.2	10	3.8	7	3.4	7	
Green Moldovan	Heirloom	Fruits average 8-12 oz. with gold skin and lime flesh. Nice shaped tomatoes with smooth shoulders. Excellent flavor. High	2.9	14	3.3	8	3.4	7	succulent, fine texture, great looking, attractive color/shape, watery
Green Zebra	Specialty	Two tone green, small fruits (3 oz), sweet yet zingy fruit. Pretty in salads. Indeterminate. 75 days.	3.4	16	2.5	11	3.6	11	tangy

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Green Zebra Cherry	Cherry	Look like a miniature green zebra. Sweet delightful flavor. Very productive and pretty. Indeterminate. 75 days.	3.1	15	3.1	13	4.1	12	a bit bland, mushy, good flavor, too sour, tart, lovely-but tastes bland some
Hssiao His Hung Shih	Cherry	Yellow, Crisp little, grape-sized nuggets are just right for snacking. Vines are hugely productive. Indeterminate. 75 days.	2.7	10	2.2	10	3.7	10	
Indian Moon	Heirloom	Orange, globular fruit. Think harvest moon! Blemish-free, intense tomato flavor. Meaty tomato with few seeds. Indeterminate. 75 days.	3.8	11	3.8	8	4.3	6	soft texture, appearance: sunny, pretty (2), other: tart, bland, killer bee, sweet-almost creamy favor and texture, melts in mouth!
Indigo Apple	Specialty	Huge production, good Anthocyanin. Large clusters of 2-4 oz. fruits. Small unripe fruit turn purple, as they grow and ripen they turn almost black on top where sunlight hits, bottom and interior are red. Indeterminate. Mid-season.	3.0	19	3.5	12	4.6	10	kind of tart, good texture, interesting appearance (2), unusual skin, lovely dark top with bright red bottom!; complex flavor, beautiful, unusual-pretty
Indigo Rose	Specialty	A new variety from Oregon State. The high amount of anthocyanin creates quite a vibrant indigo, almost blue skin on the 2 inch, round fruit. As it ripens the underside turns from green to a rosy red. Flavor is great, strongly acidic and when sliced it looks just like a plum with its deep red flesh. Indeterminate. 80 days.	2.0	13	2.4	7	4.3	7	pale inside, one I tasted may not have been fully ripe, bland, too bland
J.D.'s Special C- Tex	Specialty	Believed to be a stabilized selection from a cross between Pink Brandywine and an unknown black from a J. D. Whitaker in Conroe, Texas. Superb flavored 8-14 ounce dark pink fruits with gray- purple shoulders. Indeterminate. 82 days.	4.2	18	4.3	7	3.9	7	texture: soft, softer than Cherokee purple but similar, soft (3); appearance: pretty, interesting green red, lovely color, pleasant; other: sweet (5), sweetness very good, yummy
Japanese Black Trifele	Heirloom	Potato leaf foliage. Black, pear-shaped tomato that looks like a little eggplant on the vine! It's a commercially grown tomato in Russia. Complex, rich sweet flavor. Determinate. 80 days.	2.2	12	1.3	3	2.0	4	dark taste-juicy, skin a little tough (3) tough (2), appearance: interesting, nice/interesting, pretty; other: a little bland, not my cup of tea, bland (3), lacking

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Jaune Flamme			4.1	14	3.9	7	4.1	7	texture: good, skin is tough (2), smooth; lovely, pretty,; a little tart, tart, wild, nice balance, a bit tart, nice and tart
Jubilee	Heirloom	Plant produces high yields of golden-yellow tomatoes. Excellent for making tomato juice and canning. Also good in salads and cooking. A low acidity variety. Indeterminate. 72 days.	3.1	19	3.5	16	4.1	16	texture: good, fine; attractive, large globe, watery very mild taste, pleasant balanced taste
Juliet	Cherry	Red, larger (1 oz) fruit, shaped like grape or elongated plum. Full tomato flavor, high yields. Indeterminate. 60 days.	3.5	15	4.0	10	4.3	11	tough skin, pretty but flavor is not that exciting, always a great producer, good to [can't read] and dry, great
Large Barred Boar	Specialty	8-12 oz. flattened med. beefsteak fruit. Pink brown with metallic green stripes. Very meaty pink flesh that is very flavorful. Indeterminate. 65-75 days.	3.4	10	3.7	3	4.0	3	texture: interesting, OK; appearance: odd orange-green, gorgeous green/ orange striping, strange but pretty; other: blandish, bland on taste
Lemon Boy	Easy Grower	Yellow. Vigorous plants produce large harvests of sweet but tangy tomatoes. 8 oz fruit, easy to grow. Indeterminate. 72 days.	3.4	19	4.0	7	4.1	7	texture: solid/soft, good, nice, appropriate, great; appearance: very nice yellow, pretty color, beautiful, pretty, rich; other: good size, nice sweet/tart, tart, delicious, bland, perfect yellow, sweet, too bland, always good, low acid but good flavor, lemony!, all around good
Lime Green Salad	Container	Green, ripening with amber overtones. Small fruit (3 – 5 oz), tangy flavor, great for container garden because plants stay small, but big harvest. Determinate, 58 days.	3.5	12	2.7	3	2.3	4	texture: juicy (3), soft, smooth; appearance: nice green/yellow, pretty color, pretty; other: tart (4), not tasty
Malakhitovaya Shkatulka	Heirloom	Large plants produce good yields of 8-16 oz green when ripe fruits. Excellent flavor. Indeterminate. Mid-season.	2.8	20	3.3	15	4.3	16	bitter, nice and fleshy, nice and meaty, good mouth feel, pretty, lovely green and yellow!, watery, watery but lovely colors, tastes rotten
Michael Pollan	Specialty	Odd shaped mutant from green zebra. Named after the awesome writer, journalist and teacher. Taste is very different from the Green Zebra. Much less tartness, more mild with good sweetness. Indeterminate. 78 days.	2.8	18	3.2	13	4.0	11	tart, a nice zing, teardrop shaped-cool looking, interesting color/shape, gorgeous!, tart, not too tart, too sour, crispy!, too tart!
Momotaro	Specialty	Pink tomato. Round, medium-sized, perfectly beautiful fruit. Sweet yet balanced. The most popular tomato grown in Japan! Indeterminate. 74 days.	2.9	13	4.0	4	3.8	3	texture: even, soft, very soft; appearance: very nice red; other: OK, bland, seedy!
Mr Stripty	Heirloom	Red with yellow-orange stripes. 1 1/2 – 2" tomatoes have rich, tangy flavor. Indeterminate. 56 days.	2.8	12	3.4	7	3.8	8	tart, soft, pretty, pretty but a little watery, best so far

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Persimmon	Heirloom	Unusual, persimmon-colored tomatoes weighing 12-16 oz or more. Ripens from the blossom end to the softly dented light green shoulders, gradually acquiring its distinctive rose-orange hue. Sweet flavor. Indeterminate. 80 days.	3.6	19	3.6	15	4.4	14	tasty, good texture, nice color, very pretty and gorgeous, nice appearance! Gorgeous, great color, lovely color, nice and meaty
Pink Berkeley Tie Dye	Specialty	Unbelievable looks and flavor. Striped with port wine interior that gushed tomato flavor. Indeterminate. 75-80 days.	2.8	17	3.0	9	4.8	9	texture: OK (2); appearance: odd color, interesting, gorgeous striping; other: tart (3), good
Pink Furry Boar	Specialty	Round pink with creamy yellow stripes, matte skin, fuzzy. Great tomato flavor that is fairly rich and sweet. Good production. 2-4 oz. Indeterminate. 70-80 days.	2.3	10	2.0	2	3.5	2	Texture: juicy, OK, juicy seems a little tough juicy, OK, appearance: nice red, pretty red, good; other: tends to bland, bland
Porter's Pride	Easy Grower	Red, heat tolerant tomato. Very productive, even in the Texas heat! Lots of round, 3 oz fruit with full tomato flavor, little cracking. Indeterminate. 70 days.	2.5	12	3.0	8	2.8	6	bland, soft, not a lot of flavor, not much flavor
Red Furry Boar	Specialty	Compact bushy plants with dense foliage cover, high yields of round to slightly oblate red fruits with yellow stripes and fuzzy skin, bright red meaty flesh. 2-6 oz. Very good to excellent flavor. Indeterminate. Mid-season.	3.0	12	3.5	8	3.4	4	OK texture, lovely red!, nice red, nice tart flavor, acidic
Rhodia	Easy Grower	Vigorous plants, large fruit, yet unusual for a hybrid the vines are still indeterminate and the fruit full of flavor. Typical of Italian tomatoes, this ripens from the inside out. A rare find. Indeterminate. 72 days.	3.7	18	3.7	9	4.6	9	texture: good, nice, great good juicy; appearance: good, nice wrinkles, great, good color, beautiful large red lobed fruit, good; other: good size, beautiful shape, good aftertaste, interesting almost citrus-like aftertaste
Roma	Paste		2.0	8	3.7	3	2.5	2	texture: good and meaty for small plum, pasty (2); beautiful, not a raw eating on-good when cooked-don't eat it raw (2), better for paste, good looking
Rosella Purple	Container	One of the 9 new dwarf tomato varieties released in 2011 by the Dwarf Tomato Project. Fully ripe fruit from Rosella Purple can rival the flavor of any purple heirloom. Indeterminate. 75 days.	3.1	13	3.3	7	3.5	6	pretty, more flavor than some purples, meaty-pasty-nice, very juicy, tart
Rouge D' Irak	Heirloom	Medium-sized fruit are finely flavored; good yields, too. Indeterminate. 80 days.	3.5	13	3.8	5	3.5	5	texture: good (2); attractive, solid red, beautiful bright red, nice flower low acid, delicate,(2) delicious, good, mild

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Rutgers VFA	Easy Grower	Large crops of crack-free, bright red 6 to 8 oz. tomatoes with delicious old-time taste. For many years, this was a favorite for canning because of its abundance, juiciness and deep red color. Determinate. 75 days.	3.1	14	3.2	7	3.2	8	not many cracks!, delicious
Spot Yellow	Specialty	Clusters of canary yellow, 3-5 oz. round fruit with rare and unusual spotting. Heavy producer, great taste, citrus notes. Indeterminate. Mid-season.	3.3	12	3.1	7	3.4	7	too tart for me
Sprite	Container	Red. Grape (elongated cherry) tomato, grows on compact container-ready plants. Taste is sweet and skins are thin. Prolific. Determinate, 70 days.	2.8	11	3.5	6	4.2	6	texture: OK (2); other: too tart for me, good
Stupice	Heirloom	Compact plants with potato leaf foliage loaded with clusters of 2" fruits. Quite early, great flavor. Heavy yields all season. Produces well in northern climates. Indeterminate. 55 days.	3.2	10	5.0	4	5.0	4	good texture (3), tart & fresh, too tart, good, not tart enough
Sun Gold	Cherry	Golden-orange fruits are borne in large clusters. The flavor develops early, so this little tomato is great for snacking a week before full maturity, when it becomes very sweet and delicious. Indeterminate. 65 days.	4.2	19	4.0	12	3.9	7	mushy, skin a little tough, attractive, pretty yellow, skin a little tough, I grow these every year & they are quite reliable/prolific, perfect
Super Marzano	Paste	Hybrid version of San Marzano paste tomato. Large, pear-shaped fruit are an average 5 inches long. Fruit is high in pectin, giving sauce and paste natural thickness. Indeterminate. 70 days.	3.3	10	3.4	5	3.5	3	sweet, nice and meaty, creamy texture, pulpy
Sweet Million	Cherry	Red cluster tomato, disease resistant, easy grower, prolific and popular. Indeterminate. 65 days.	4.0	12	3.6	6	5.0	5	good texture, cute, pretty red, good sweet/tart, good solid taste, good
Tasmanian Chocolate	Container	One of the 9 new dwarf tomato varieties released in 2011 by the Dwarf Tomato Project. One of the most compact (3'9" tall) and heaviest producers of the new dwarf releases. Good flavor. Indeterminate. Mid season.	2.9	15	3.2	8	3.7	9	soft, pretty

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Texas Star	Heirloom	From the grand state of Texas. Yields BIG, 1-2 lb., yellow tomatoes with red striping inside and out and generally a reddish star on bottom end. Very sweet, with well-balanced acid content, making extremely flavorful tomatoes with few seeds. Indeterminate. 85 days.	2.9	10	2.9	6	3.9	7	Cody votes for Texas Star!, nice combo yellow/red, texture: nice, soft, appearance: beautiful colors, gorgeous orange and yellow,; other: overly sweet, melts in mouth
Topaz	Cherry	Beautiful and sparkling, 1-3 ounce fruit. Light yellow with golden speckles. Mild tasting, firm and good for snacking or salads. Indeterminate. 70 days.	3.3	10	2.8	5	3.8	5	soft
Wessel's Purple Pride	Specialty	Cross of Cherokee Purple and Green Sausage. Plants yield loads of elongated purple paste-type tomatoes with excellent taste, 8-10 oz. Indeterminate. Mid-season.	2.7	9	2.9	4	3.2	4	bland (2), soft, very interesting appearance, too bland, bland-disappointing
Wine Jug	Specialty	Plump pear shaped, Cabernet colored, with light spots. Sweet, rich flavor. Indeterminate. Mid-season.	2.7	10	3.0	2	2.0	2	soft texture, poor flavor, sweet
Yellow Pear	Cherry	A great tomato just loaded with hundreds of small 1-2 inch yellow pear-shaped fruit. Indeterminate. 75-80 days.	3.8	11	4.3	4	4.0	4	soft, yummy acid flavor-tart
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zz		min	2.0	2	1.3	2	2.0	2	
		correlation-taste & texture	0.61						
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