

Waxy potatoes - low starch content and are often characterized by a creamy, firm and moist flesh that holds its shape well after cooking.  
 Starchy potatoes - They're fluffy, making them great for boiling, baking and frying, but they don't hold their shape well.  
 All purpose - medium starch content that fall somewhere in between the starchy and waxy potatoes.

# Seed potatoes for the Home Gardener and Growers



Varieties	Picture	Skin Color	Flesh Color	Harvest	Yield	Size	Boiling	Baking	French Frying	Chipping	Storing	Comments
<b>RED SKINS:</b>												
Carolina		Red	White	Early	Medium yield	Large tubers that can be short and oval shaped.	Good	Good	Good	Unsuitable	Good for storing	This is a relatively new red skin variety. It has a low specific gratviry and possess good culinary qualities.
Dark Red Noland		Smooth red	White	Early	High	Med - Large, oblong sized tubers	Good	Unsuitable	Good	Good	Average storage. Short dormancy	Adapts well to different soils but is sensitive to drought and susceptible to skinning and bruising if harvested before maturity. Moderately resistant to common scab. Great for fresh market and home gardens
Viking		Smooth red	Very White	Mid	High	Large	Excellent	Good	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Good	Drought resistant and tolerant to adverse weather conditions. Moderately resistant to common scabbing. Tubers size early and have the potential to have a good crop within 85 days.
Sangre		Deep red	White	Mid	High	Large oval to round tubers	Excellent	Excellent	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Excellent	Ranks in taste tests. High in vitamin C. No after cooking discoloration. This tuber is slow to emerge but grow rapidly and is resistant to second grown and tolerant to drought. Primarily used for the fresh market.
Setanta		Red	Yellow	Late	High	Long to oval medium sized tubers	Good	Excellent	Good	Excellent	Excellent. Short dormancy	Excellent taste. These are a higher dry matter content tuber which make them good for the fresh market. The has higher drought tolerances than other varieties and good resistance to most pests and diseases.
<b>RUSSET SKINS:</b>												
Blazer Russet		Tan Russet	White	Mid-Season	High	Oblong, med-large tubers	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Good	Good. Med dormancy	Good for fresh market and processing. Has an attractive apperance and excellent culinary quality. Fairly firm and mealy texture.

Goldrush		Smooth, dark brown, russeted skin	Extremely white flesh	Mid-Season	High	Oblong to long tubers	Excellent	Excellent	Good - with early harvest and limited amount of storage	Unsuitable	Good storage	Resistance to hollow heart, common scab, verticillium wilt, and drought. Particularly suitable for home and restaurants.
Innovator		Tan Russet	light-yellow	Early to Mid-Season	High	Long to oval medium sized tubers	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Good storage. Medium dormancy.	Premium baking and frying potato. The dry matter (21.1%) content in this potato presents optimum quality for baking and processing. Because of its ability to recondition this potato from long term storage makes it a great variety for processors. There is high resistance to cyst nematode, leaf and tuber blights, and potato wart.
Russet burbank		Netted russet skin	White, mealy, and white flesh	Late	High	Large sized. Long or cylindrical shaped tubers	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	unsuitable	Good long term storage potato	This potato is referred to as the "netted gem". This variety requires conditions of high and uniform soil moisture and controlled nitrogen fertility to produce attractive tubers. It is resistant to common scab but not o Virus Y, wilt, and leafroll.
Russet Norkotah		Smooth and netted light colored	White flesh	Early to Medium season	Medium	Long to oblong medium sized tubers	Fair	Excellent	unsuitable	unsuitable	Medium dormancy. Good storage	Susceptible to most viruses and late blight. It may have some tolerance to silver and common scab. This variety is not well suited for processing. In comparison to other russets this variety is early, light skinned, and more uniform in shape and size

YELLOW SKIN												
Bintje		Yellow skin	Light yellow flesh	Late	High	Medium, long oval sized tubers	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Good	Excellent	Excellent for fresh market. It is a high yielding variety and is widely adaptable. It has low starch content and is not subject to blackening of the flesh or second growth. Because of high tuber set, small creamer potatoes can be harvested early.
Butterfly		Deep Yellow skin	Creamy yellow	Medium to Early season	Medium	Relatively small tubers per plant. Rount to round oval tubers	Good	Good	Good for frying	Unsuitable	Stores well. Good dormancy	Wonderful creamy taste and can be grown for C-size creamers. Resistant to PCN. Good resistance to late tuber blight. Medium resistance to scab.
Nicola		Yellow waxy skin.	Yellow flesh with a firm texture	Mid season	High	long to oval shaped pota	Excellent	Excellent	Okay	Unsuitable	Stores good. Good	This is the best potato for diabetics because of its low Glycemic Index. It has a dry flesh which makes it fair for frying but not the best option. It is immune to viruses and resistant to blight. The Nicola is best steamed, boiled, roasted, or made into mashed potatoes.

Yukon Gold		Attractive yellow skin that keeps its color even when cooked. Slightly pink and shallow eyes.	Light yellow flesh	Early	Medium to high yield	Oval and slightly flattened	Good	Good	Good	Unsuitable	Excellent storability. Long dormancy. High specific gravity	Yukon Gold is resistant to mild mosaic, moderately resistant to leafroll virus and susceptible to virus Y, common scab and air pollution. This variety has a dryer flesh and is great for the fresh market. This is an older variety of potato that is sometimes used as a generic name for Yellow fleshed potatoes.
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**WHITE SKINS:**

Dakotah Pearl		White skin.	Cream colored flesh	Mid-season	Medium to high yield	Tubers are attractive in appearance and are round and smooth	Good	Good	Unsuitable	Excellent	Stores well. Medium dormancy	This variety is great for chipping even after long term storage. This is a great field to storage crop variety. It has good resistance to common scab. The variety has a determinate growth habit and has not demonstrated problems with vine destruction. Dakota Pearl is not susceptible to internal bruising or to mechanical damage.
Kennebec		Smooth creamy buff skin	White flesh	Mid-season to Late	High and fast yielding	Elliptical to oblong tuber.	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent storing quality. Long dormancy period	High yielding fast growing variety, widely adapted. Requires close planting (15 to 20 cm between plants) and vine killing to avoid producing oversized and rough tubers. Kennebec is widely adapted and is grown in many parts of the world. At one time it was the primary variety used for potato chip processing in North America. It was also important in french fry processing.

**SPECIALITY:**

Amarosa		Smooth and bright red skinned	Deep red flesh that retains its color even when cooked	Mid-season	Average yield	Medium sized fingerlings	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good storage	This is a sweet and creamy flavoured fingerling. Its attractive appearance makes it great for chipping, as it retains its bright red color. Like most potatoes the Amarosa is high in potassium, iron, vitamins C, vitamins B6, and anti-oxidants. Moderate skinning can occur during harvesting.
Banana Fingerling		Tan and waxy colored	dark yellow flesh	Late	Medium	Fingerling shaped with small eyes	Good	Good	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Excellent	This is a potato with incredible flavour and with a firm texture. It is resistant to scab but can be susceptible to rhizoctonia and late blight
French Fingerling		Radiant rosy red skin	Deep yellow flesh sometimes with a red ring that can appear in the flesh	Late	High	Long and plump tubers that are usually 2-3 inches in length	Good	Good	Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Excellent	This variety is also known as the "Nosebag". It has a creamy and smooth texture. It is unique in the sense that it is plumper than most fingerlings, and has a waxy flesh. This variety has a resistance to scab and shows some resistance to leafhopper.

Russian Blue		Dark blue to dark purple skin that can also be netted in appearance	dark blue to dark purple flesh that is firm, moist, and streaked with white	Late	Medium	medium to large sized tubers that can be round or oblong in shape.	Good	Good	Good	Good	Excellent	This is a beautiful colored variety that tastes bold, rich, earthy, and nutty. It has a dry texture that when roasted or grilled will actually darken in color. The flesh color will bleed if boiled without the skin. It is a heavy setting plant, so there must be ample space to grow this variety. The Russian Blue is known under many different names.
Violet Queen		Dark, deep purple and	Dark purple fles	Early to Mid-Sea	Medium	Long oval sized tubers. The tubers of the Violet Queen are slow to emerge	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good storage	Primarily sold in the retail fresh sector and is a slightly firm cooking type of potato. It has a remarkably great taste and a firm texture. Suitable for fresh consumption and is also great for the potato processors. It has a medium specific gravity.

**ORGANIC:**

Organic Goldrush		Smooth, dark brown, russeted skin	Extremely white flesh	Mid-Season	High	Oblong to long tubers	Excellent	Excellent	Good - with early harvest and limited amount of storage	Unsuitable	Good storage	Resistance to hollow heart, common scab, verticillium wilt, and drought. Particularly suitable for home and restaurants.
Organic Carolina		Red	White	Early	Medium yield	Large tubers that can be	Good	Good	Good	Unsuitable	Good for storing	This is a relatively new red skin variety. It has a low specific gravity and possess good culinary qualities.