

WINTER SQUASH COMPARISON CHART

Type	Part #	Variety	Days	Wt. Range	Storage Potential (Months)	Vine Length	Disease Resistance
Acorn/Delicata	4047	Autumn Delight	80	1½–2½ lb.	2–3	Semibush	IR: PM.
	2452	Carnival	95	1½ lb.	3–4	Semibush	—
	675G OG	Delicata JS	100	1½–2 lb.	3–4	Medium	—
	689	Honey Bear	85	1–1¼ lb.	2–3	Bush	IR: PM.
	3836	Jester	95	1½ lb.	3–4	Short	—
	4423G OG	NEW Night Shift	95	1½–2½ lb.	3–4	Long	IR: PM.
	4026G OG	Starry Night PMR	95	2–2½ lb.	3–4	Bush	IR: PM.
	2269G OG or 2269	Tiptop PMR	92	2–2½ lb.	2–3	Semibush	IR: PM.
	2054G OG	Tuffy	90	2 lb.	3	Medium	—
Buttercup	2996T or 2996	Bonbon	95	4–5 lb.	5–6	Semibush	—
	2416 OG	Buttercup (Burgess Strain)	95	3–5 lb.	5	Long	—
Butternut	4197G OG	Butterbaby	100	1–1½ lb.	3	Short	IR: PM.
	3983	Butterscotch PMR	100	1½–2 lb.	3	Short	IR: PM.
	2604G OG	JWS 6823 PMR	100	2½–3½ lb.	6	Short	IR: PM.
	2867	Metro PMR	105	2½–3½ lb.	6+	Medium	IR: PM.
	3264G OG or 3264	Waldo PMR	100	3–4 lb.	6	Medium	IR: PM.
	671G OG , 671T, or 671	Waltham Butternut	105	4–5 lb.	6	Long	—
Hubbard	676G OG	Blue Ballet	95	4–6 lb.	4–5	Medium	—
	680G OG	Blue Hubbard	100	12–15 lb.	4–5	Long	—
	677G OG	Red Kuri	92	3–5 lb.	4–5	Long	—
Kabocha	2187G OG	Cha-Cha	95	4–5 lb.	5	Long	—
	4424G OG	NEW Marmalade	100	2–3 lb.	6+	Long	—
	2998G OG , 2998T, or 2998	Sunshine	95	3–5 lb.	3–4	Short	—
	4030G OG	Sweet Jade	95	1–2 lb.	5	Long	—
	4029G OG	Winter Blush	95	3–4 lb.	5	Long	—
	3034G OG	Winter Sweet	95	4–5 lb.	6+	Long	—
Spaghetti	3641	Angel Hair	88	1½–2 lb.	2	Long	—
	3839	Pinnacle	85	3 lb.	2	Semibush	—
	679	Spaghetti Squash	88	3–5 lb.	2	Medium	—
Specialty	4196G OG	Black Futsu	105	2–4 lb.	4–5	Long	—
	3912	North Georgia Candy Roaster	100	8–15 lb.	4	Extra Long	—
	3578	Tetsukabuto	100	3–5 lb.	6+	Long	—

Winter Squash Resistance Codes

HR = High Resistance IR = Intermediate Resistance

PM Powdery Mildew



Night Shift



Marmalade



Winter Blush



Sweet Jade

CURING AND STORAGE CHART

TYPE	Months After Maturity/Harvest					
	1 Mo	2 Mo	3 Mo	4 Mo	5 Mo	6 Mo
DELICATA			2.5			
SWEET DUMPLING						
ACORN						
SPAGHETTI						
HUBBARDS, SPECIALTY PUMPKINS, & KABOCHA: 'Red Kuri'; 'Sunshine'						
BUTTERCUP						
HUBBARD						
Green KABOCHA: 'Black Forest'						
Longest-storing KABOCHA: 'Winter Sweet'		1.5				
BUTTERNUT						

Curing Period
 Optimal eating Period



TIMING TIPS BY TYPE • WHEN TO EAT WHICH

Many winter squash fruits appear to be mature before they are actually ready to harvest, and some require time in storage after harvest for best eating quality. For the best-quality squash, wait to harvest all types until they are mature — at least 50–55 days after the fruit has set — and cure before storing and eating.

Delicata, Dumpling & Acorn: The fruits of these types will have a dark-orange "ground spot" when mature. Fruits can be consumed at harvest, and eating quality is best within 2–3 months of harvest.

Spaghetti Squash: Spaghetti squash, too, can be consumed right away after harvest, and will store about 3 months.

Some Red-skinned Hubbards, Specialty Pumpkins & 'mini' Kabocha: Varieties such as 'Sunshine' and 'Red Kuri' can be consumed at harvest, and will store 2–3 months, 4 max. Dry, corky stems are a good indication of fruit maturity.

Buttercup & Larger, Green or Gray Kabocha: Fruits are best after 1–1½ months of storage, but will also store 4–6 months. Dry, corky stems are a good indication of fruit maturity.

Hubbard & Butternut: Fruits are best after 1–2 months of storage, and will keep 4–6 months. (Because of its smaller size, 'Butterscotch PMR' is an exception; it can be consumed at harvest, and is best within 3 months of harvest.)

