



## **TANGERINES**

### **FALL TANGERINES –**

#### **HONEY – *Many Seeds/NOV-JAN/Cold Hardy***

One of the tangerines found often on Florida “Cracker” homesteads. Hybrid of tangerine and sweet orange. This tangerine is a light yellow-orange, similar to honey, with a strong rich tangerine flavor. The flesh is tender, melts in your mouth. The fruit holds well on the tree for a long harvest season. The tree is vigorous and fast growing, does not require special care. Highly self pollinating produces well.

#### **ROBINSON – *Few Seeds/NOV-JAN/Cold Hardy***

This Florida tangerine hybrid produces early and well. The fruit is a bright orange color inside and out. The rind is thin and leathery, easy to peel. One of the easiest tangerines to grow.

#### **SATSUMA – *No Seeds/OCT-DEC/Very Cold Hardy***

The very largest of the mandarin family and well known for its cold tolerance. The Satsuma will survive with only tip end damage to 18°F. The fruit is ripe very early in the season and provides a real taste treat for the backyard grower. Honey sweet, “zipper-peel,” the large very juicy segments fall apart. Even the youngest child can peel and enjoy this fruit. Does not hold well on tree for long past maturity, but does store well when picked and re-frigerated.

#### **SUNBURST – *Few Seeds/NOV-JAN/Cold Hardy***

The classic tangerine, brilliant orange color, sweet and juicy, thin leathery rind, easy to peel. This is a very desirable fruit for gift packs. The fruit is easy to harvest, and is larger than some types of tangerines. This fruit is at its best for Christmas.

### **WINTER TANGERINES –**

#### **DANCY – *Seeds/JAN-MAR/Cold Hardy***

A dark orange tangerine with a rich spicy flavor. The skin pulls away easily to expose large juicy segments. A real Florida favorite and a great back yard tree. You will often find this tangerine in the grocery store during the winter season. Use as a pollinator to enhance the yield of your tangelos.

#### **MURCOTT – *Seeds/FEB-MAR/Moderately Cold Hardy***

Often called Honey Mandarin, this mid-season fruit is a real delight. A light orange fruit with a delicate honey sweet flavor. This sweet mild flavored fruit really appeals to children, who are often put off by the acid flavors of many citrus fruits. One of the best and sweetest of the mandarins.

## ORANGES

### **RED NAVEL** – *Seeds/NOV-JAN*

Inside color is red. Very sweet. Excellent eating or juice orange.

### **WASHINGTON NAVEL** – *No Seeds/NOV-JAN/Moderately Cold Hardy*

The standard navel orange grown through-out Florida. This dark green densely foliated tree produces very large fruit with large prominent “navels”. The fruit is very easy to peel and sections come apart easily. Light orange colored flesh is juicy and sweet. When you purchase Florida Navels this is most likely what you bought.

### **HAMLIN** – *Few Seeds/DEC-FEB/Cold Hardy*

Widely planted throughout Florida, it is one of the early juice oranges. This large tree produces a large crop consistently, and can be harvested from December through February to keep your home supplied with fresh juice. The juice is very sweet and somewhat low in acid. Generally produces a few fruit the first year after planting. Easy to grow.

### **TEMPLE** – *Few Seeds/JAN-MAR*

A mid-winter orange. Easily peeled. True orange color with a rich spicy flavor. 2” to 3”, more acid than other oranges and most desirable flavor. Excellent eating or juice orange. The Temple tree is truly beautiful with its long draping branches and small willow leaves.

### **VALENCIA** – *Few Seeds/APR-JUL/Cold Hardy*

The world’s most famous juice orange. Valued for its premium quality juice, rich, sweet, and full-bodied. The fruit requires more than 12 months to ripen. This very large cold hardy tree produces abundant fruit that may be enjoyed through the early summer. The fruit holds extremely well on the tree through early summer.

## ORNAMENTAL ORANGES

### **CALAMONDIN** – *Seeds/EVB/Very Cold Hardy*

This extremely cold hardy ornamental mandarin is beautiful year round. Small oval red-orange fruit are on the tree at all times due to the everbearing characteristic of this tree. The fruit may be preserved whole or used for marmalade. Excellent as a container tree. When fully ripe the rind is sweet with a tart center.

## TANGELOS

### **MINNEOLA** – *Few Seeds/JAN-MAR/Cold Hardy*

Best known by the name “Honey Bell”. This large tangelo is famous for its wonderful honey mandarin flavor, ease to peel, and large size fruit. Minneolas are very large, deep orange, sweet and juicy with very few seeds. Needs a pollinator to maximize yield.

### **ORLANDO** – *NOV-JAN/Very Cold Hardy*

2” – 3”, peels easily, sections well. Most widely grown tangelo in Florida. More cold hardy than most citrus. Also used as a pollenizer.

## LIMES

### **KEY LIME** – *Few Seeds/SEP-DEC*

Everbearing. Small, 1", used for key lime pie and juice. Very cold sensitive.

### **PERSIAN** – *No Seeds/JUL-DEC/Sensitive*

This is the lime you will find most often in the grocery store. A small tree, the Persian is an excellent container plant. Clusters of dark green fruit are produced at the ends of the branches. The inside is a perfect lime green, seedless juicy, with an excellent flavor. Wonderful in the kitchen, a great lime for mixed drinks.

## LEMONS

### **MEYER** – *Seeds/EVB/Sensitive*

The Meyer Lemon is a hybrid cross between a lemon and an orange. The cold tolerance of this lemon is slightly better than other types of lemons, but less than that of an orange. It has a yellow-orange color, is juicy and tender. It has a strong acid flavor of a lemon, but is slightly sweet when fully mature. This tree is a lovely container plant and will produce well in a pot. This tree will produce fruit on a very young tree; you will never have to wait long for a Meyer to produce. This lemon hybrid can be used any time you have need for a lemon.

### **VARIGATED PINK** – *Few Seeds/EVB/Sensitive*

One of the most beautiful of the citrus varieties. The foliage is variegated green and white. The fruit is green and yellow striped, with a pink interior. This small tree is good for container growing. The tree has a delightful appearance with its new growth and bloom tipped in purple, contrasting with fruit and foliage. The only source for pink lemonade. The tree is vigorous and fast growing, will load down with lemons, even on a small tree. This is no novelty tree, it produces true lemons that can be used any time you need a lemon, the beauty is just a bonus.

### **BEARSS** – *Few Seeds/JUL-DEC/Sensitive*

This large acidic lime is virtually indistinguishable from a lemon. The tree is small and well suited to container growing. Vigorous and growthy, most will produce fruit in the first year. The fruit is light green with a thin peel, juicy with very few seeds, if any. It has a strong acidic flavor. Use this fruit as you would any lemon.

### **PONDEROSA** – *Seeds/JUL-DEC/Sensitive*

This lemon citron hybrid grows well in containers, and has a shrub-like appearance. The fruit are the size of grapefruit, and are abundant on the tree nearly year round. The tree has a tendency to produce heavy between July and December, with some fruit on the tree year round. The flesh is light green and the juice is very acid. The fruit hangs well on the tree for a long harvest season. Use this fruit any time you need a lemon.

## **KUMQUATS**

### **MEIWA SWEET** – *No Seeds/DEC-FEB/Very Cold Hardy*

This dwarf very thickly foliated tree loads down with large round sweet kumquats. Well suited for container growing. Very cold tolerant. Tolerates cold to 18°F for short periods of time. Has thick sweet rind with very few seeds, many of the fruits are completely seedless. Excellent eating right off the tree. Unique in that the entire fruit is eaten, peel and all.

### **NAGAMI** – *Few Seeds/DEC-FEB/Very Cold Hardy*

The classic oval shaped kumquat, thick sweet rind with a tart interior. A large willow leaf tree, attractive year round, well suited to container growing. The fruit is often used as a garnish for holiday foods. Excellent fresh off the tree for colder regions. Kumquats are easily preserved whole in canning jars, or may be made into marmalade, or candy.

## **GRAPEFRUITS**

### **MARSH SEEDLESS** – *No Seeds/FEB-APR/Moderately Cold Hardy*

The tree is very large and bears heavy and regular. The fruit is pure white, thin skinned, very juicy, and virtually seed free. Best known for its high quality juice, it can be enjoyed fresh, or sectioned for fruit salad. The fruit hangs well on the tree for a long harvest season.

### **RUBY RED** – *No Seeds/JAN-MAR/Moderately Cold Hardy*

This famous Indian River fresh fruit is known worldwide for its dark ink color, juiciness, and crisp clean flavor. This tree will produce many seedless red grapefruit very year. A large vigorous tree, easy to grow. Fruit hangs well on the tree, easy to grow.

### **THOMPSON PINK** – *No Seeds/JAN-MAR/ Moderately Cold Hardy*

Also known as Pink Marsh, this large vigorous tree produces an abundance of fruit year after year. The Thompson ranges in color from buff (pale gold) to Champagne pink. Often seedless, the large juicy sections are great right off the tree, in a salad, easy to juice. Hangs well on the tree for a long harvest, but has a tendency for the interior color to fade post maturity. Fading does not affect the quality of the fruit.