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Carrot Comparison Chart

Every carrot we carry, grouped by root type and sorted by days to maturity

Days	Variety	Root	Length	Shape	Notes	Disease
Nantes Carrots						
55	**Napoli** F1	Orange	7–8 in.	Cylindrical	Early; overwinters	ALS, BB, CLS, CS, LR
70	**Scarlet Nantes** ORG	Orange	6–7 in.	Cylindrical	Sweet, little core	—
70	**Ingot** F1	Orange	8–10 in.	Cylindrical	Deep color, sweet	—
73	**Fancy Nantes**	Orange	8 in.	Cylindrical	Extra-smooth skin	—
74	**Scarlet Nantes** HEIR	Orange	6–7 in.	Cylindrical	Heirloom keeper	—
77	**Triton** F1	Orange	9–10 in.	Cylindrical	Strong tops	—
100	**Bengala** F1	Orange	7–9 in.	Cylindrical	Late; long storage	ALS
Imperator & Long Carrots						
65	**Neptune** F1	Orange	8–10 in.	Tapered	Long storage life	—
68	**Imperator 58**	Orange	9 in.	Tapered	Classic long carrot	—
70	**Orange Blaze** F1	Orange	9–10 in.	Tapered	Adapts to most soils	—
70	**Malbec Red** F1	Red	10 in.	Tapered	Wine-red roots	—
75	**Black Nebula**	Black-purple	8 in.	Tapered	Natural food dye	—
76	**Atomic Red**	Red	9–11 in.	Tapered	Red when cooked	BLS, PRR
78	**Barracuda** F1	Orange	7–9 in.	Tapered	Uniform, high yield	—
78	**Purple Sun** F1	Purple	8–10 in.	Tapered	Purple throughout	—
Carrot Blends						
65	**Rainbow Mix** HEIR	Mixed	Varies	Mixed	Five colors	—
75	**Culinary Blend**	Mixed	Varies	Mixed	Three colors	—

Nantes
Blunt, cylindrical and sweet. The best all-round eating carrot.

Imperator
Long and tapered. Needs deep, loose soil; the grocery-store shape.

Danvers & Chantenay
Shorter, broad-shouldered roots that push through heavier soil.

Baby & round
Short or ball-shaped. Best for containers, clay and rocky beds.

Quick picks

Earliest: Napoli, Parisian · **Storage & overwintering:** Bengala, Neptune, Napoli, Scarlet Nantes, Red Cored Chantenay
Heavy or shallow soil: Parisian, Thumbelina, Oxheart, Red Cored Chantenay, Kuroda Shin · **Color:** Cosmic Purple, Dragon, Atomic Red, Solar Yellow, Lunar White

Disease codes and F1, ORG, HEIR and AAS tags are explained on page 2.

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Danvers, Chantenay & Kuroda						
60	**Cosmic Purple**	Purple	7 in.	Tapered	Orange-yellow core	—
73	**Solar Yellow**	Yellow	6–7 in.	Tapered	Mild, sweet yellow	—
75	**Danver 126**	Orange	6–7 in.	Tapered	Heat tolerant	—
75	**Danver 126** ORG	Orange	6–7 in.	Tapered	Heat tolerant	—
75	**Lunar White**	White	6–8 in.	Tapered	Mild, small core	—
75	**Red Cored Chantenay**	Orange	5–6 in.	Conical	Heavy soils	—
75	**Kuroda Shin**	Orange	5 in.	Conical	Warm-weather type	ALS
77	**Dragon**	Bicolor	6–8 in.	Tapered	Orange core, spicy	—
Baby & Round Carrots						
55	**Parisian** HEIR	Orange	1–2 in.	Round	Clay or containers	—
60	**Bambino**	Orange	4 in.	Cylindrical	Sweet baby carrot	—
60	**Little Finger**	Orange	3–4 in.	Cylindrical	Baby Nantes	—
60	**Little Finger** ORG	Orange	3–4 in.	Cylindrical	Baby Nantes	—
70	**Thumbelina** AAS	Orange	1–2 in.	Round	Shallow soils	—
90	**Oxheart**	Orange	5–6 in.	Conical	Great for juicing	—

Days are from direct seeding to full-size roots; baby carrots can be pulled weeks sooner. Sow 1/4" deep from 2–3 weeks before last frost to midsummer; keep the surface moist until seedlings appear. **Length** is typical at maturity.

Disease Resistance Codes

ALS	Alternaria leaf spot	**BB**	Bacterial blight	**BLS**	Bacterial leaf spot
CLS	Cercospora leaf spot	**CS**	Cavity spot	**LR**	Leaf rust
PRR	Phytophthora root rot				

Soil

Loose, stone-free soil grows straight roots. In clay or shallow beds choose round, Chantenay or Kuroda types; save Imperators for deep sandy soil.

Thinning

Thin to 1–2 in. apart when seedlings are 2 in. tall, and again to 2–3 in. for big roots. Crowded carrots stay small and twist together.

Sweetest roots

Carrots turn sweeter after a few light frosts. Mulch fall crops and dig as needed; varieties marked for storage keep for months.



Rainbow Mix



Dragon

Variety Notes

F1	Hybrid seed
AAS	All-America Selections winner
ORG	Certified organic seed
HEIR	Heirloom, open-pollinated

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