












# SEEDS to SUCCESS

THE LOUISIANA FARM TO SCHOOL PROGRAM

**Table 1. RECOMMENDED SWEET PEPPER VARIETIES FOR LOUISIANA**

Image	Variety Name	Description	Days to Harvest*	Fruit & Plant size	Resistance
<b>Bell</b>					
	Admiral	Green to yellow fruit; thick walls; productive; good foliage; hybrid	84 days	Fruit: 4.5x4.5" long Plant: 18-24" tall	Tobacco mosaic virus, bacterial leaf spot, potato virus Y
	Aristotle	Green to red fruit; thick walls; productive hybrid	73 days	Fruit: 4x5" long Plant: 18"	Tobacco mosaic virus, bacterial leaf spot, potato virus Y
	Big Bertha	Large, elongated variety; green to red fruit; thick walls; hybrid	70 days	Fruit: 4x7" long Plant: 20"	Tobacco mosaic virus

	Blushing Beauty	Ivory to pink to red fruit; thick walls; sweet at any color; bushy compact habit; productive hybrid	72-75 days	Fruit: 4x4" long Plant: 18"	Tobacco mosaic virus, bacterial leaf spot, potato virus Y
	California Wonder	Traditional variety; green to red fruit; smooth, thick walls; upright habit; heirloom variety	65-75 days	Fruit: 4x5" long Plant: 24-30"	Tobacco mosaic virus
	Camelot	Green to red fruit; glossy, productive hybrid	75 days	Fruit: 4.5x5" long Plant: 24"	Tobacco mosaic virus, bacterial leaf spot
	Capistrano	Green to red uniform fruit; thick walls; productive; open-pollinated	76 days	Fruit: 3.5x4" long Plant: 24"	
	Emerald Giant	Green to red fruit; thick walls; productive; open-pollinated	74 days	Fruit: 3.5x4.5" long Plant: 30"	





	Excursion	Large green to red fruit; glossy; thick walls; productive hybrid	84 days	Fruit: 4.5x4.5" long Plant: 30"	Tobacco mosaic virus, bacterial leaf spot, potato virus Y, tomato spotted wilt virus
	Flavorburst	Lime green to golden yellow fruit; very sweet and flavorful; productive hybrid	67-87 days	Fruit: 3x4" long Plant: 18-24"	
	Golden Summer	Lime green to bright yellow block fruit; productive hybrid	70 days	Fruit: 4x4" long Plant: 24-36"	
	Islander	Violet purple to dark red fruit; thick walls; productive hybrid	56-81 days	Fruit: 4-6" long	Tobacco mosaic virus

	Jupiter	Green to red fruit; good foliage; productive; open-pollinated	65-75 days	Fruit: 4-5" long Plant: 3-5'	Tobacco mosaic virus, drought
	Keystone Giant	Green to red fruit; thick walls; productive; open-pollinated	75 days	Fruit: 3.5x4.5" long Plant: 36"	Tobacco mosaic virus, adverse weather conditions
	King Arthur	Early variety; green to red fruit; thick walls; very sweet; hybrid	59-79 days	Fruit: 4.5x4.5" long Plant: 30"	Tobacco mosaic virus, bacterial leaf spot, potato virus Y
	Lafayette	Green to yellow fruit; productive; thick walls; hybrid	78 days	Fruit: 2.5x3.5" long Plant: 24"	Potato virus Y, bacterial leaf spot, pepper mottle virus
	Lilac	Large ivory to lilac lobed fruit; productive hybrid	70 days	Fruit: 3.5x4.5" long Plant: 24"	Tobacco mosaic virus
	Marconi	Giant, tapered, horn-shaped green to red fruit; productive; Italian heirloom variety; heat tolerant	70-90 days	Fruit: 7-12" long Plant: 18-24"	

	Paladin	Green to red fruit; blocky, large hybrid	61-82 days	Fruit: 4-6" long Plant: 24-36"	Tobacco mosaic virus, Phytophthora root rot
	Pimento L	Wide, heart-shaped, green to red fruit; productive; open-pollinated	95 days	Fruit: 2.5x4.5" long Plant: 18"	Tobacco mosaic virus
	Purple Beauty	Green to purple to red fruit; bright green flesh; thick walls; productive; open-pollinated	55-80 days	Fruit: 3x3-4" long Plant: 3'	Tobacco mosaic virus
	Red Knight	Green to red fruit; thick walls; productive hybrid	78 days	Fruit: 4x4" long Plant: 24"	Tobacco mosaic virus, bacterial leaf spot, potato virus Y
	Revolution	Green to red fruit; thick walls; early variety; productive hybrid	72 days	Fruit: 4x4" long Plant: 36"	Bacterial leaf spot, Phytophthora root rot, cucumber mosaic virus



IMAGE NOT AVAILABLE	Super Heavyweight	Largest, heaviest, thickest-walled variety; green to bright yellow fruit; flavorful hybrid	77 days	Fruit: 5-6x7" long Plant: 24-36"	
	Tequila	Lavender to orange to red fruit; very productive; attractive, blocky hybrid	65 days	Fruit: 4x4.5" long	Tobacco mosaic virus, blossom-end rot
	Yolo Wonder	Improved version of California Wonder; green to red fruit; heirloom variety	70 days	Fruit: 4" long Plant: 24-28"	Tobacco mosaic virus
<b>Frying</b>					
	Biscayne	Cubanelle-type; yellow-green to red fruit; productive; great for the South; hybrid	80 days	Fruit: 2x7" long Plant: 30"	
	Carmen	Similar to Corno di Toro variety in Italy; green to red tapered fruit; productive hybrid	60-80 days	Fruit: 2.5x6" long Plants: 20"	

	Cubanelle	“Cuban pepper”; thin walled, yellow-green to orange-red fruit; flavorful; twisted and long shape; open-pollinated	68-70 days	Fruit: 6-8” long	
	Gypsy	Tapered yellow to orange to red fruit; eat at any ripeness stage; productive; suitable for containers; hybrid	65 days	Fruit: 2x5” long Plant: 24-36”	Tobacco mosaic virus
	Sweet Banana	Tapered, banana-shaped yellow to orange to red fruit; eat at any ripeness stage; productive heirloom variety	65-70 days	Fruit: 6” long Plant: 42”	
	Tiburón Poblano	Mild heat; glossy green to red fruit; productive, uniform hybrid	60 days	Fruit: 7” long Plant: 30-36”	Tobacco mosaic virus, bacterial leaf spot, cucumber mosaic virus

Notes: \*From transplant to harvest

Table varieties selected from recommendations from LSU AgCenter, UF Extension, Texas A&M Extension, and Southeastern U.S. Vegetable Crop Handbook.

Variety descriptions and images compiled from High Mowing Organic Seeds, Johnny’s Selected Seeds, Reimer Seeds, Southern Exposure Seed Exchange, Sow True Seed, All America Selections, Hoss Tools, and Osborne Seed Company.

Other recommended sweet pepper varieties for Louisiana include:

Bell: Aladdin, Bell Boy, Bell Tower, Declaration, Enterprise, Heritage, Jackpot, Plato, Stiletto, Valencia

Frying: Banana Supreme