

Seed, Fruit Trees, and Plant Catalogs

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Around the end of the year and certainly in the month of January, seed catalogs start arriving in the mail if you are on the mailing list. We have received these catalogs for many years. It is a great source of entertainment for us to read through these catalogs and watch as new and improved varieties appear and other less popular varieties disappear from these catalogs. Seed catalogs are a great source of information about when to plant, how deep to plant, harvest date, and many other tidbits of information that help you successfully grow the seeds. Catalog seeds many times have more seeds in the packet, for the same or a lower price, compared to retail store packets.

One misleading designation on many of these catalogs is that the seed is non GMO. This is a non issue with probably 99% of the catalog listings. GMO crops are mostly limited to major agricultural crops like corn, soybeans, cotton, alfalfa and a few other crops which would be unlikely to be grown in a home garden. We are not aware of any GMO sweet corn commercially available through a seed catalog. You can basically ignore the GMO issue in these catalogs. Additionally, there is no evidence to support that GMO crops are harmful to humans. We are supporters of GMO crops!! GMO crops are necessary to feed the total world population!



R.H. Shumway's

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Catalog Fulfillment Center
334 W. Stroud Street Ste. 1
Randolph, WI 53956-1274
800-342-9461
www.rhshumway.com

Each different seed catalog company seems to specialize in some aspect of seed sales. Some these companies not only offer seeds for commercial vegetable producers as well as home gardeners. Some specialize only in home garden seeds. In the commercial catalogs, not all the seeds are offered in packet sizes for home gardeners.



Stokes Seeds

Stokes Seeds

PO Box 548

Buffalo, NY 14240-0548

800-396-9238

www.stokeseeds.com

Harris Seeds has a great catalog for both commercial producers and home gardeners.

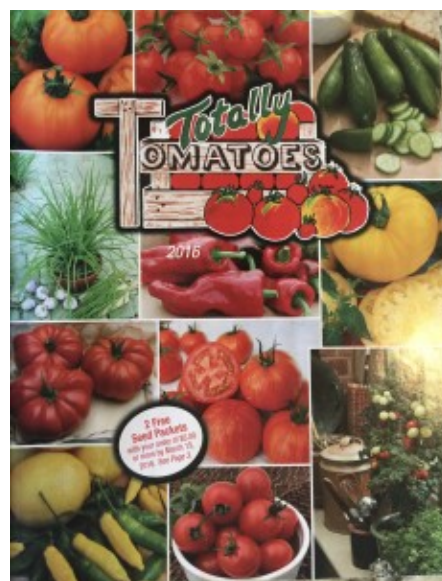


Harris Seeds

Harris Seeds

355 Paul Road
P.O. Box 24966
Rochester, NY 14624-0966
800-544-7938
www.harrisseeds.com

The Totally Tomatoes seed catalog focuses mainly on tomatoes and peppers.



Totally Tomatoes

Totally Tomatoes

334 West Stroud Street
Randolph, WI 53956
800-345-5977
www.totallytomato.com

Seeds n Such is a small catalog that offers a variety of seeds with an affordable combined offer packet price and a good number of seeds per packet.



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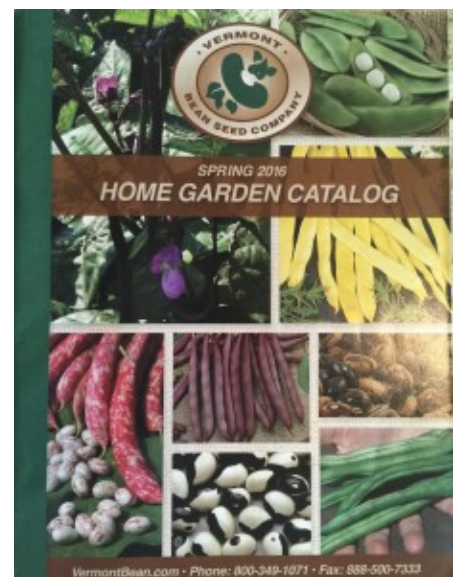
PO Box 1

Graniteville, SC 29829

803-663-1501

www.seedsnsuch.com

One of the benefits of buying through the mail or ordering on line from a seed catalog is that there are sometimes more than one packet size. You also have a great deal more variety choices. Sometimes there are early order discounts or quantity discounts.



Vermont Bean Seed

Company

Vermont Bean Seed Company

334 W. Stroud St.

Randolph, WI 53956

800-349-1071

www.vermontbean.com

Some seed catalogs do a very good job of explaining how to grow each crop category. These tips can make a big difference specially if you are a beginning gardener, although long time gardeners can learn too. This is very true if you are going to plant something you have not grown before. Additionally, seed catalogs usually have a section dedicated to products and gadgets that may help you grow better or accomplish tasks more efficiently.



Territorial Seed
Company

Territorial Seed Company

P.O. Box 158

Cottage Grove, OR 97424-0061

800-626-0866

www.territorialseed.com

This is the first year that we have received a seed catalog specializing in organic seeds. Although we feel that the benefits of organic gardening are greatly exaggerated, it is good to have seed a company attempting to meet the demands of this growing market.

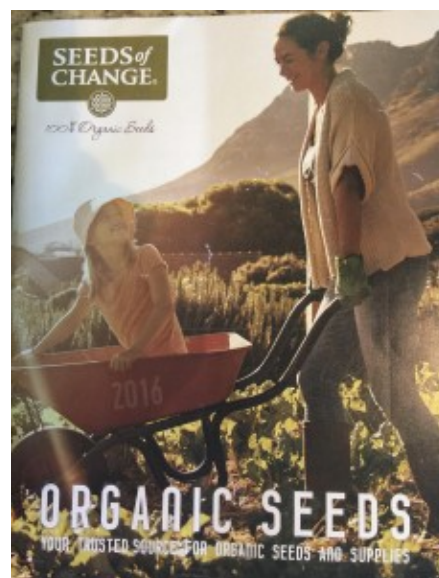
Seeds of Change

PO Box 152

Spicer, MN 56288

888-762-7333

www.seedsofchange.com



Seeds of Change – organic seeds

Most gardeners that purchase seeds also have an interest in planting small fruit and fruit tree transplants. Stark Nursery acquired many of the varieties that were previously sold by Miller Nursery in Canandaigua, NY. Miller Nursery ceased operations about two years ago. We have been a big fan of Miller Nursery as well as Stark Nursery.



Stark Bro's for Fruit Trees

Stark Bro's Nurseries & Orchards Co. (Apples, Peaches, Apricots, Pears, Grapes)

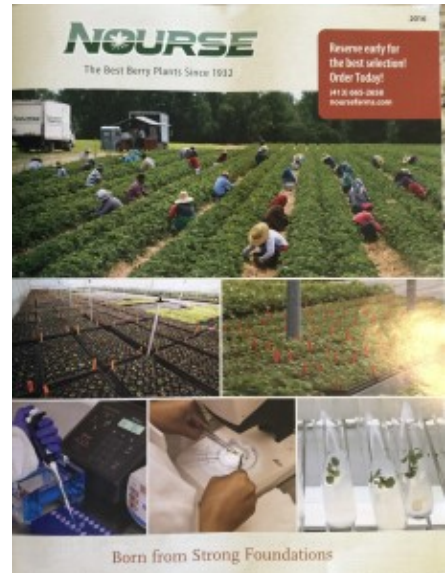
PO Box 1800

Louisiana, MO 63353

800-325-4180

www.starkbros.com

Another of our favorite nurseries in Nourse Farms. In our opinion, Nourse is the preferred supplier on the east coast for strawberry, raspberry, and other small fruit and vegetable varieties including rhubarb, horse radish, and asparagus.



Nourse for small fruit plants

Nourse (small fruits, asparagus, rhubarb, horse radish)

41 River Road

South Deerfield, MA 01373

413-665-2658

www.noursefarms.com



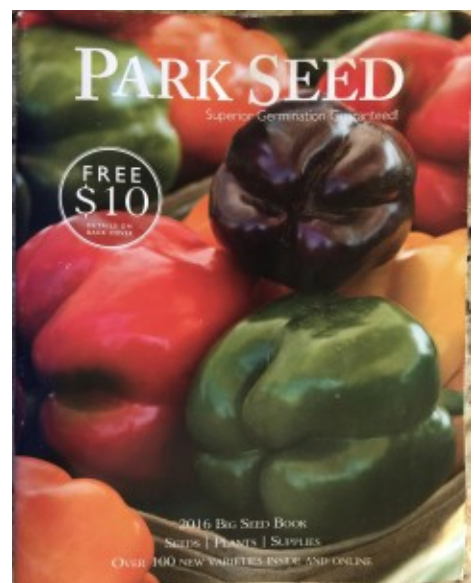
Indian Berry & Plant Co.

Indiana Berry & Plant Company (Strawberry, Raspberries, Blackberries, Blueberries, Grapes)

2811 Michigan Road
Plymouth, IN 46563
800-295-2226
www.indianaberry.com

Park Seed Co.

3507 Cokesbury Road
Hodges, SC 29653
800-845-3369
www.parkseed.com



Park Seed

Burpee

W. Atlee Burpee & Co.
300 Park Avenue
Warminster, PA 18974
800-888-1447
www.burpee.com

Ball Horticultural Company

622 Town Road
West Chicago, IL 60185-2698
800-879-2255
www.ballseed.com/webtrack

Adaptive Seeds

25079 Brush Creek Road
Sweet Home, OR 97386
541-367-1105
www.adaptiveseeds.com

Botanical Interests

660 Compton Street
Broomfield, CO 80020
877-821-4340
www.botanicalinterests.com

Burgess Seed & Plant Co.

1804 E. Hamilton Road
Bloomington, IL 61704-9609
309-662-7761
www.eburgess.com

ChilePlants.com (seasonal) (plants not seed) (best selection of eggplant varieties)

Cross Country Nursery
PO Box 170
199 Kingwood Lockdown Road
Rosemont, NJ 08556
908-996-4646
www.chileplants.com

Companion Plants (herbs, dyes, culinary, medicinal)

7247 N Coolville Ridge Road
Athens, OH 45701
740-592-4643
www.companionplants.com

Dixondale Farms (onion plants)(Yello Granex "Vidalia" onions)

PO Box 129
Carrizo Springs, TX 78834
877-367-1015
www.dixondalefarms.com

Grandpa's Orchard LLC (fruit trees)

PO Box 773

Coloma, MI 49038

877-800-0077

www.grandpasorchard.com

Irish Eyes Garden Seeds (potatoes)

5045 Robinson Canyon Road

Ellensburg, WA 98926

509-933-7150

www.irisheyesgardenseeds.com



Johnny's Selected Seeds

Johnny's Selected Seeds

955 Benton Ave.

Winslow, Maine 04901

877-564-6697

www.johnnyseeds.com

J.W. Jung Seed Co

335 S. High Street

Randolph, WI 53957-0001

800-274-5864

www.jungseed.com

Raintree Nursery (west coast fruit tree nursery)

391 Butts Road

Morton, WA 98356

800-391-8892

www.raintreenursery.com

Royal Anne Organics (garlic)

4320 Royal Anne Drive

Hood River, OR 97031

503-432-1822

www.royalanneorganics.com

Sand Hill Preservation Center (Preserving old cultivars)

1878 230th Street

Calamus, IA 52729

563-246-2299

www.sandhillpreservation.com

Seed Savers Exchange

3094 N Winn Road

Decorah, IA 52101

563-382-5990

www.seedsavers.org

Seed Treasures (heirloom/open-pollinated/non GMO)

8533 Co 25

Angora, MN 55703

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www.seedtreasures.com

Southern Exposure Seed Exchange

PO Box 460

Mineral, VA 23117

540-894-9480

www.southernexposure.com

Sow True Seed

146 Church Street

Asheville, NC 28801

828-254-0708

www.sowtrueseed.com

Tomato Growers Supply Co.

PO Box 60015

Fort Meyers, FL 33906

800-345-5977

www.tomatogrowers.com