



Beets

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General Information

- Beta vulgaris, Beets
- Amaranthaceae family
- Sunlight: full sun.
- Soil conditions: fertile, evenly moist soil, free of rocks.
- Beets need cool temperatures to germinate and grow.

Successful Cultivators

- Zeppo (50 days) Smooth skin, round shape.
- Bulls Blood (35 days baby leaf) (58 days roots) Deep burgundy leaves. Attractive deep red roots with striped zoning when sliced.
- Touhtone Gold (55 days) Striking gold color, retains color when cooked.

Pests and Diseases

- Leaf miners
- Flea beetles
- Leaf hoppers
- Scab
- Leaf Spot

Beet Photos courtesy of Gail Hermenau.







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