

UCSC FARM & GARDEN Center for Agroecology & Sustainable Food Systems, UC Santa Cruz

Seed Sources for the Home Gardener

Sooner or later, every gardener will want to start sampling the incredible variety of seeds offered by companies from all over the country. Here are some of the sources used by staff of the Center's UCSC Farm and Alan Chadwick Garden. And don't forget about your own garden as a seed source—books such as Seed to Seed by Suzanne Ashworth, or Basic Seed Saving by Bill McDorman (as well as numerous web sites), can get you started on the practice of saving seed.

Abundant Life Seeds P.O. Box 279 Cottage Grove, OR 97424-0010 email: info@abundantlifeseeds.com (541) 767-9606 www.abundantlifeseeds.com

Bountiful Gardens 1726-D South Main St. Willits, CA 95490 email: bountiful@sonic.net (707) 459-6410 www.bountifulgardens.org

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

Harris Seeds

Gurney's Seed & Nursery Co. P.O. Box 4178 Greendale, IN 47025-4178 (customer service) (513) 354-1491 www.gurneys.com

P.O. Box 24966 Rochester, NY 14624-0966 email: gardeners@harrisseeds.com (800) 544-7938 www.harrisseeds.com

Heirloom Seeds All orders must be placed on-line (we no longer accept orders by phone, mail or fax) www.heirloomseeds.com email: mail@heirloomseeds.com (724) 663-5356 Physical location:

287 E. Finley Dr. West Finley, PA 15377

Visit our sister site: www.heirloomtomatoes.com

Henry Field's Seed & Nursery P.O. Box 397 Aurora, IN 47001-0397 (513) 354-1494 www.henryfields.com

High Altitude Gardens c/o Seed Trust 5870 S. Long Lane Littleton, CO 80121 email: support3@seedstrust.com (720) 335-3436 www.seedstrust.com/has/highaltitudeseeds

J.W. Jung Seed Co. 335 S. High St. Randolph, WI 53956 (800) 297-3123 www.jungseed.com

Johnny's Selected Seeds P.O. Box 299 Waterville, ME 04903 (877) 564-6697 www.johnnyseeds.com

Native Seeds/SEARCH 3061 N. Campbell Ave. Tucson, AZ 85719 email: store@nativeseeds.org (866) 622-5561 www.nativeseeds.org

Nichol's Garden Nursery 1190 Old Salem Rd. NE Albany, OR 97321-4598

email: customersupport@nicholsgardennursery.com (800) 422-3985

www.nicholsgardennursery.com

Park Seed Co.

1 Parkton Ave. Greenwood, SC 29647 email: info@parkseed.com (800) 845-3369 www.parkseed.com

Pinetree Garden Seeds

P.O. Box 300

New Gloucester, ME 04260 email: pinetree@superseeds.com

(207) 926-3400

www.superseeds.com

Plants of the Southwest 3095 Agua Fria Rd. Santa Fe, NM 87507

email: plantsofthesouthwest@hotmail.com

(800) 788-7333

www.plantsofthesouthwest.com

Redwood City Seed Co.

P.O. Box 361

Redwood City, CA 94064

(650) 325-7333

www.ecoseeds.com

Renee's Garden Seeds 6060 Graham Hill Rd. Felton, CA 95018

email: customerservice@reneesgarden.com

(888) 880-7228

www.reneesgarden.com

Seed Savers Exchange 3094 North Winn Rd. Decorah, IA 52101 (563) 382-5990 www.seedsavers.org

Southern Exposure Seed Exchange

P.O. Box 460 Mineral, VA 23117

email: gardens@southernexposure.com

(540) 894-9480

www.southernexposure.com

Stokes Seed Co. P.O. Box 548

Buffalo, NY 14240-0548 email: stokes@stokesseeds.com

(800) 396-9238

www.stokeseeds.com

Territorial Seed Co.

P.O. Box 158

Cottage Grove, OR 97424 email: info@territorialseed.com

(800) 626-0866

www.territorial-seed.com

The Cook's Garden P.O. Box C5030

Warminster, PA 18974-0574

(800) 457-9703

www.cooksgarden.com

Thompson & Morgan Seedsmen, Inc.

P.O. Box 397

Aurora, IN 47001-0397 email: service@tmseeds.com (800) 274-7333

www.tmseeds.com

Otis S. Twilley Seed Co., Inc.

121 Gary Rd. Hodges, SC 29653 www.twilleyseed.com

Vesey's Seeds, Ltd. P.O. Box 9000

Calais, ME 04619-6102

For Custom Seed, email: gary@veseys.com

(800) 363-7333 www.veseys.com

A note on location: many of the companies listed here are located in the northeast and northwest. Although climatic conditions in these areas are different from those on the Central California coast (which features a long but relatively cool growing season), the regions feature similar numbers of total *heat units*.

Heat units are measured in *degree-days*, equal to the number of degrees above a certain minimum temperature (usually 50°F) multiplied by the number of days the temperature topped that minimum. For instance, if temperatures average 60°F for 4 days, you accumulate 40 degree-day units. Each crop needs a certain minimum number of degree-days to mature.

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