GROWING POTATOES

HOW MANY: You will need one pound (1 lb.) of seed potatoes per 10' of row.

WHERE: Plant certified seed potatoes in full sun. Sandy loam garden soil works best.

HOW: Cut seed into 1 & 1/2" square pieces that contain 2-3 eyes each. Plant in row that are 24-36" apart. Space pieces 12-18" apart, with cut side down. They should be planted 5-6" deep. We recommend a balanced fertilizer such as Fertilome 'Gardener's Special', IFA '16-16-8 Garden Blend', or Peace of Mind 'Tomato and Vegetable Fertilizer' (organic) from Fox Farm.

HARVEST: Harvest 'new potatoes' in the summer. Pull the vine, then dig the potatoes with a shovel. Mature potatoes are ready to harvest in 100 to 120 days. Wait for first vine killing frost and then harvest.

STORAGE: You should store potatoes in a cool, dark place. Temperature should be between 40 and 50 degrees Fahrenheit. Below 40 degrees Fahrenheit, potatoes will become sweet. Above 50 degrees Fahrenheit, potatoes will sprout. Light will cause potatoes to turn green.

*For description of varieties we carry, see vegetable seed description list.



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