

1/5/14 TAPRN Net Topic - Spring Gardens

On 1/5/14 TAPRN Net, our topic of the evening was Spring gardens. Thanks to all our check-ins for the comments, suggestions, and advice.

The following companies were mentioned on where to get heirloom seeds:

Seed Savers Exchange – www.seedsavers.org

Johnny's Selected Seeds – www.johnnyseeds.com

Southern Exposure Seed Exchange – www.southernexposure.com

Baker Creek Heirloom Seed Co – www.rareseeds.com

Territorial Seed Company – www.territorialseed.com

Hometown Seeds – www.hometownseeds.com

Victory Heirloom Seeds – www.victoryseeds.com

Burpee Seeds – www.burpee.com – not all heirloom, so pay attention to which seeds

Sustainable Seed Company – www.sustainableseedco.com

Pete Favorite – sorry, couldn't find a website for this mentioned company

Also, don't forget to look locally for heirloom seeds. Good seeds to get locally – butter beans, blue lake beans.

Get your Spring garden seeds now for best selection of varieties.

It was mentioned if someone is interested in knowing which crops grow best in the Southeast, the Southeast Vegetable Growers Association produces an annual book called Vegetable Crop Handbook. You might be able to get it around March timeframe at your local Extension Agent. If not, you can also download it at <http://www.thegrower.com/south-east-vegetable-guide/>

Personal favorite crops were mentioned – Cajun Gulf Coast garlic, kale, and cabbage were among a few.

Don't forget about your fertilizers and check your pH balance of your soil for the type crops you are interested in growing.

Try your best to get heirloom seeds. Then every year, you can save some seeds from your current garden for future gardens, which is the best for sustainability. And stay away from Monsanto genetically modified seeds.

If you're interested in listening or checking into TAPRN Net, please see Net schedule -
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