

March 22, 2019

Dear Variety Trial Growers,

Thank you for signing up to participate in the Canadian Organic Vegetable Improvement (CANOVI) pepper trials for 2019! Enclosed are the seeds you will need for this year's trial. You are receiving either bell pepper seeds, corno di toro pepper seeds, or both, depending on which trials you signed up for. A variety list for both types is included. We were a bit delayed in sending pepper seeds out, so please plant them as soon as possible. Here's what you need to know to get started:

- Please **seed peppers as soon as possible** using whatever methods you would normally use for starting pepper seeds. **Record your sowing date, and report it to your trial regional coordinator** (see contact information at the end of this letter).
- **If you will be planting 2 replications** (2 plots) of each variety, sow enough seed to end up with at least 24 transplants of each variety.
- **If you will be planting just 1 replication** (1 plot) of each variety, sow enough seed for at least 12 transplants of each variety and at least 24 transplants of the check variety (Ace for bell peppers, Carmen for corno peppers).
- Please make your own planting labels to ensure varieties don't get mixed up.
- In previous years we have done a blind trial, in which varieties are identified by codes only. This year, we have included codes and variety names so that you can choose whether you prefer to identify them by codes only (for a blind trial) or use actual names.
- If you have any questions, including questions about growing fewer varieties or adding additional varieties, please contact your regional coordinator and/or Helen Jensen.

Thank you again for your participation in this project! We welcome your feedback and comments about any way we can make it easier for you.

Happy growing,
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Pack Sheets

2019 Corno Peppers

Code	Variety	OP?	Source	Certification
PC-01	Joelene	OP	UBC Farm	OG
PC-02	Carmen	F1 Check	Johnny's	OG
PC-06	Golden Treasure	OP	Salt Spring Seeds	No
PC-07	Lively Yellow	OP	High Mowing	OG
PC-08	Karma	OP	Wild Garden Seeds	OG
PC-09	Early Perfect Italian	OP	Wild Garden Seeds	OG
PC-10	Gypsy Queens	OP	Adaptive Seeds	OG
PC-11	Stocky Golden Roaster	OP	Wild Garden Seeds	OG
PC-12	Stocky Red Roaster	OP	Wild Garden Seeds	OG

2019 Bell Peppers

Code	Variety	OP?	Source	Certification
PB-04	Ace	F1 - Check	Johnny's	No
PB-05	King of the North	OP	High Mowing	OG
PB-06	Early Red Sweet	OP	Turtle Tree	OG
PB-07	Peace Work	OP	Fruition	OG
PB-08	Orange marmalade (SBGO 10408)	F1	Pan American Seeds/Ball	No