

SQUASH

Squashes are members of the Cucurbitaceae (gourd) family.

Summer squashes grow quickly and have thin skin; to retain the most nutrients, leave their skin on while eating. Zucchini, yellow, and scallop squashes are three primary summer squashes.

Winter squashes have hard, thick skin that allows them to be stored in a dry, cool location for several months.

Edible pumpkins are one of many types of winter squash. Others include acorn, butternut, and spaghetti squashes.



Summer squashes are in season in Georgia from around May through October while winter squashes are in season in Georgia from around September through March.

Yellow squash made the top 10 list of vegetables produced in the most recent Georgia Farm Gate Value Report.

Georgia's Apple Festival is hosted annually during October in Ellijay, Georgia.

Most of Georgia's apples are grown in north Georgia. Gilmer and Fannin are the top producing counties.