




Experiences of an organic vegetable  
seed grower.

Brian Andersen

A photograph of a carrot seed field. The field is filled with rows of green carrot plants. In the foreground, a grey drip irrigation pipe runs across the field, with smaller white pipes branching off to the plants. The background shows a vast, flat landscape under a clear sky.

IN 2001 BEJO APPROACHED ME LOOKING FOR SOMEONE TO GROW CARRROT SEED USING DRIP IRRIGATION.

IN 2003 THEY CONVINCED ME TO TRY SOME ORGANIC CARROT SEED.

IN 2006 ALL OF MY CARROT SEED WAS ORGANIC.

IN 2007 MY WHOLE FARM WAS ORGANIC.





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Onion Trial							
Brian Andersen Farm							
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Evaluated: 8/30/07							
Planted: 4/4/07		size and stand					Tops
Variety	Source	Uniformity	Bulb Firmness	Skin Quality	Guest Rating	Grower Rating	Down
Q5517	Enza Zaden	5.33	9.00	9.00	7.78	7.33	5.67
Gunnison	Bejo	6.67	8.00	8.33	7.67	7.33	8.67
Newburg	Seeds of Change	7.00	9.00	7.00	7.67	7.00	7.00
Breakthrough	Seeds of Change	7.67	8.00	7.00	7.56	6.00	2.33
Talon	Bejo	7.67	7.00	7.00	7.22	7.33	8.33
GVS 36082	Golden Valley Seed	7.00	9.00	5.67	7.22	5.67	1.00
Renegade	Nunheims	6.67	8.00	5.67	6.78	7.00	8.33
Cowboy	Bejo	4.33	9.00	7.00	6.78	7.67	9.00
GVS 36083	Golden Valley Seed	4.67	9.00	6.33	6.67	5.33	1.67
Tioga	Seminis	6.67	6.00	7.00	6.56	7.67	9.00
Calibra	Bejo	4.67	6.00	9.00	6.56	7.33	9.00
Sedona	Bejo	6.33	6.00	7.00	6.44	6.33	2.00
Charismatic	?	7.33	6.00	5.00	6.11	7.67	8.33
Granero	Nunheims	6.33	4.00	7.67	6.00	6.67	7.00
Delgado	Bejo	6.67	4.00	7.00	5.89	7.00	6.00
Grand Coulee 7200	Nunheims	6.00	4.00	7.67	5.89	5.67	3.00
Crockett	Bejo	6.00	4.00	7.67	5.89	5.00	1.33
Valencia	Seeds of Change	5.67	5.00	5.67	5.45	5.33	1.67
Arcero 7004	Nunheims	6.33	4.00	5.00	5.11	6.67	3.67
4528	Enza Zaden	5.67	3.00	5.00	4.56	5.00	1.00

















































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ONE PROBLEM WITH GROWING CARROT SEED IS THAT THE SOIL WILL SOMETIMES CRACK  
IN THE SPRING

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