Orange Varieties and Descriptions

**Grove Navels** (Seedless\*)

Season: November through April

Peel: Smooth, mostly orange although may have some green tint from extra chlorophyll.

Inside: Yellow-orange, sweet and flavorful.

**Hale Honeybells** (Usually 6 seeds or less)

Season: January

Peel: Smooth, deep bright orange, bell shape (but not always).

Inside: Flesh is yellow-orange, very juicy, sweet, and tangy. Hybrid between the Dancy Tangerine and the sweet Duncan Grapefruit.

**Tangerines** (Seeds)

Season: November through May

Peel: Smooth and thin, loose fitting and easy to peel.

Inside: Deep orange with some seeds. Sweet.

**Red Navels** (Seedless)

Season: December

Peel: Yellowish-orange. Resembles regular Navel orange.

Inside: Bright crimson color. Often very sweet.

**Sol-Zest Mandarins/Holiday Golds** (Few seeds)

Season: December through January

Peel: Smooth, bright golden color.

Inside: Orange-rich taste and aroma with a juicy, concentrated flavor,

easy to peel,

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**Sugar Belles** (Usually 6 seeds or less)

Season: Christmas

Peel: Bright orange color, slight bell shape, easily peeled.

Inside: Yellow-orange with few seeds, exceptionally sweet.

A hybrid between a Honeybell and a sweet clementine.

**Temple** (Seeds)

Season: February

Peel: Pebbled with deep orange-red color, easy to peel.

Inside: Light orange, some seeds. Subtle ‘spicy’ flavor with

intense fragrance.

**Cara Cara Navel Orange** (Usually 6 seeds or less)

Season: Late January through spring.

Peel: Similar to the Grove Navel

Inside: Deep red flesh, abundant juice, sweet with few seeds if any.

**GoldenBells/Spring Tangelo** (Few seeds)

Season: March/Early April

Peel: Similar to the Honeybell, bell shaped.

Inside: Yellowish orange, sweet and slightly tart, very similar to the

Honeybell. Few seeds.

\*According to the USDA, a seedless orange contains six or fewer seeds.

Most Navel varieties are considered seedless.