



This Week's Specials

Golden Pineapples 6/7ct	Ojai Pixie Tangerine 25#	Living Watercress 12ct	Green Onions 48ct
\$14.50 / ^{CS}	\$39.50 / ^{CS}	\$14.75 / ^{CS}	\$ 9.95 / cs

MARKET NOTES

Limited

French Beans
 Yellow Wax Beans
 Thai Basil
 Arugula - Bunched & Baby
 Curry Leaves
 Broccolini
 Bluelake Beans
 Tomatoes
 Brussel Sprouts
 Pink Honeydews

Best Buys

Red Beets
 English Cucumber
 Shiitake #2

Done

Broccoli Romanesque

Incoming

Ojai Pixie Mandarins

New Items

- **Local Yellow and Red-Spring Onions
- **Fresh Garbanzo Beans
- **Fresh Fava Beans
- **Green Garlic



New Specialty Item:

***White Soy Sauce - available in 750ml bottles.**
*This White Soy comes from a small artisanal brewery in the Aichi Prefecture in Japan. The **Takumi Shoyu Company** has continued to use tra-*

ditional materials and labor-intensive production processes to create this wonderful product. This shoyu is fermented in cedar barrels that have been in use for over 60 years giving the finished product a rich and clean after-taste. Be the first to showcase this tasty new product.



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Market-at-a-Glance

ASPARAGUS :

Local product currently being packed in 28 lb crates. Please take into consideration when ordering (for example: 1 cs = 28 lbs , 1/2 cs = 14 lbs). White Asparagus from Peru available by pre-order.

TOMATOES :

Romas - Slight blemishes on the skin but flavor is decent. Overall color is good. Better value than slicers.

Slicers - Quality is good but product coming in has been light in color.

Cherry Tomatoes - Sweet 100's and Sugar Plums are your best choices right now. Regular Cherry tomatoes continue to come in without much color.

*****Freeze in Florida and rain in Mexico expected to drive prices up as well as limiting supplies.

MISC. VEGGIES :

BELL PEPPERS : THE MARKET HAS TIGHTENED UP BECAUSE OF HIGH DEMAND AND SHORT SUPPLIES. PRICES WILL START TO INCH UPWARDS.

BROCCOLI : QUALITY IS VERY GOOD. NICE COLOR WITH TIGHT HEADS. EXCEPTIONAL VALUE.

CAULIFLOWER : BOTH PRICE AND QUALITY HAS BEEN STEADY.

CELERY : THINGS ARE STARTING TO SHAPE UP. PRODUCT COMING IN HAS A LITTLE MORE WEIGHT TO IT.

LETTUCE : MORE RAIN AND WIND PELTED THE AREA JUST WHEN WE THOUGHT THINGS WERE STARTING TO DRY UP. DAMAGE FROM THE PREVIOUS STORMS WERE STILL VISIBLE ON ROMAINE AND ICEBERG SO THE CURRENT WEATHER PATTERNS ARE SURE TO CONTINUE THE TREND. QUALITY IS DECENT ON RED AND GREEN LEAF.

SPRING VEGGIES - ENGLISH PEAS, GREEN GARLIC AND FRESH GARBANZOS. PLEASE CALL FOR AVAILABILITY AND ORDERING PARAMETERS. LOCAL SPRING ONIONS ARE ON HAND.

ZUCCHINI - GOOD COLOR ON BOTH EXTRA FANCY AND MEDIUM. YELLOW SQUASH CONTINUE TO BE HIT AND MISS IN TERMS OF COLOR AND QUALITY. PRICE OF YELLOW SQUASH IS STARTING TO COME DOWN.

ONIONS - WHITE ONION ARE VERY LIMITED WITH DECENT QUALITY. INVENTORY OF YELLOW ONIONS OUT OF STORAGE IS STARTING TO DIMINISH AS WE WAIT FOR THE NEW CROP TO BEGIN. LOOK FOR PRICES ON AN UPWARD TREND AS SUPPLIES DRY UP. SWEETS' HAVE GOOD BALANCE OF SUGAR AND ACIDITY.

BEANS - SUPPLIES ARE LIMITED ON YELLOW WAX AND HERICOT VERT. BLUELAKES ARE STARTING TO SHOW DAMAGE FROM THE RAIN.

AVOCADOS :

All California fruit now. Flavor and oil content good.

BERRIES :

Strawberry - Quality is improving. Berries are coming in with more overall color and less white shoulders. Flavor is fair. Impact from this past weeks storm may start to show in the upcoming weeks.

Raspberry - Quality is good with fairly steady supplies. Driscoll is still the main shipper / packer.

Blackberry - Product is limited. Berries are large and plump but flavor and sugar level are hit and miss.

Blueberry - Quality is on an upswing. Hopefully the berries will start to show more "plumpness"

CITRUS :

Lemons - Quality has been good with steady supplies. Meyer Lemons are as good as it gets right now and it's on SPECIAL this week so don't miss out.

Limes - Supplies have lightened due to rain in Mexico.

Cocktail Grapefruits - very tasty. Sold by the lb.

Oranges - so far so good. Sugar and acid balance is decent. Quality very good across the board.

Gold Nuggets and Murcotts are the best of the bunch. Honey Tangerines also flavorful but watch out for seeds. Ojai Pixies will be available by the end of the week.

Kumquats - supply is steady.

MELONS

Cantaloupe and Honeydew continue to exhibit decent flavor. Last of the Orange Fleshed Honeydews on hand. Watermelon is definitely hit and miss.

GRAPES

The supply chain from Chile has hit a snag. Expect limited availability on both Red and Green. Prices up slightly.