

## 2006 SEED COMPANY EVALUATION – ORGANIC GARDENING LIST

**Seed Savers Exchange** 100%organic/890-acre headquarters near Decorah, Iowa <http://www.seedsavers.org/>

**Seeds of Change** – . 2500 varieties of 100% organic seed–OP, no hybrid & no GMO seed. In 1997, Mars bought. <http://www.seedsofchange.com/>

**Abundant Life Seeds** true-to-type open pollinated varieties grown using only certified organic or biodynamic farmed -Territorial owns, along with organic London Spring Farms 130 acres in Oregon <http://www.abundantlifeseeds.com/stores/1/index.cfm>

**High Mowing Seeds** - 250 varieties all cert.organic, open-pollinated, heirloom, and hybrid seed varieties, grown in N.Vermont [www.highmowingseeds.com/](http://www.highmowingseeds.com/)

**Bountiful Gardens** .non-profit Ecology Action/Willits CA grows many own seeds-only heirloom, all OP (non-hybrid, non-GE) & many OG seeds & biointensive-approved seed "growing organic soil while gardening" clearly labels seed. <http://www.bountifulgardens.org>

**Turtle Tree Seeds** -Most of their seeds are grown biodynamically &/or organic, and they list right in the seed description which farms have grown the seed. [www.turtletreeseed.org](http://www.turtletreeseed.org) order by phone or mail.

**J.L Hudson, Seedsman**-preservation seed bank, organic methods/some cert organic seed labeled. <http://www.jlhudsonseeds.net>

**Underwood Gardens, Ltd** Grandma's Garden-Underwood Gardens is Certified Organic some of their other organic seeds are not certified. [www.underwoodgardens.com](http://www.underwoodgardens.com)

**Southern Exposure Seed Exchange** says heirloom & open-pollinated organic, & organic philosophies, no gmo, signed pledge. [www.southernexposure.com](http://www.southernexposure.com) /not buying from Seminis.

**Natural Gardening Company**-cert organic seed, OP seed & some hybrid seed – all labeled, signed pledge. [www.naturalgardening.com](http://www.naturalgardening.com)

**FEDCO** some labeled cert. organic-has some seminis seed purchased before buyout & will offer till gone <http://www.fedcoseeds.com/>

**Organica Seeds**-in Mass. untreated healthy, organically grown seeds from many trusted seed growers & farms [www.organicaseed.com](http://www.organicaseed.com)

**Nichols Seeds** signed pledge/some labeled organic/if asked they will identify which are Seminis. [www.nicholsgardennursery.com/](http://www.nicholsgardennursery.com/)

**Territorial Seeds** - signed pledge, many organic seeds/labeled, sells some Seminis- [www.territorial-seed.com/](http://www.territorial-seed.com/)

**Cooks Garden** – a few Seminis varieties –some cert. organic seed. [www.cooksgarden.com/](http://www.cooksgarden.com/)

**Thompson & Morgan** some totally organic are specially selected F1.hybrids or varieties bred to give increased vigor certified by Soil Assoc England <http://seeds.thompson-morgan.com/us/en/list/organic>

**Johnny's** Some OG seeds, but marked [www.johnnyseeds.com/](http://www.johnnyseeds.com/)

**Peaceful Valley Farm & Garden Supply**- sells organic Peaceful Valley seeds, Seeds of Change, Turtle Tree, Horizon Herbs, Tomato Fest, & some Renee's Garden Seeds. [www.groworganic.com](http://www.groworganic.com)

**Renee Shepherd** All seeds untreated with fungicides-no gmo seed - signed Pledge - no OG labeled [www.reneesgarden.com/](http://www.reneesgarden.com/)

**Baker Creek** –OP, Heirloom, no seminis if suppliers were on gmo list we would discontinue.,support organics <http://www.rareseeds.com>

**Peters Seed and Research** - no "Certified Organic" but untreated.- non-hybrid seeds- Oregon, [www.PSRSeeds.com](http://www.PSRSeeds.com)

**Pinetree Garden Seeds** - discontinued many only 50 of 1000 are Seminis-,sell hybrid & OP, no gmo, no organic . [www.superseeds.com](http://www.superseeds.com)

**Sand Hill preservation** source for endangered poultry as well as heirloom seeds-uses sevin on cucumbers, melons and squash. never offer any genetically engineered varieties. [www.sandhillpreservation.com](http://www.sandhillpreservation.com)

**Tomato Growers Supply** many Seminis peppers-hybrid/heirloom (no mention of organic or gmo) <http://www.tomatogrowers.com/>

**Redwood City Seeds** (no mention of organic or gmo) /peppers <http://www.ecoseeds.com/>

**Vermont Bean**- hybrids & heirlooms - nothing about the seed. [www.vermontbean.com/](http://www.vermontbean.com/)

**Garden's Alive** [www.gardensalive.com/](http://www.gardensalive.com/)

**Gurney's**-no certified organic seed

**Shumway** won't send seminis seeds when requested. Assured by seminis/no gmo <http://www.rhshumway.com/>

**Burpee** do not give information about who supplies their seeds. Surprisingly only a few Seminis varieties in catalog.

**Stokes Seeds** lots of Seminis varieties - nothing about organic, talk of use of fertilizers, weed controls, fungicides, insecticides, disease free soil for their seeds [www.stokeseeds.com/](http://www.stokeseeds.com/)

**Burgess, Henry Fields, Jungs** (best to avoid gray labeled companies)

### List of the most ethically grown and Certified Organic Seed to the least

- Green highlighted/first 4 companies - cert. organically grown seed
- Green highlighted/next 7 many cert. OG seed or organically grown seed
- Underlined/some labeled organic seed
- The rest/take your chances