Tomatoes: Don's picks

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"If you could only plant five tomatoes, which would they be?"
Only five tomatoes! What is this, purgatory?!?

Regular red tomatoes:

- Early Girl
 Reliable hybrid with outstanding flavor and yield.
- Champion (or Better Boy)
 Big plant, big fruit, heavy
 producer.
- Costoluto Genovese Rich flavor, very meaty, beautiful; reliable heirloom.

Small-fruited types

• Juliet
Miniature plum type with very meaty fruit.

or

• SunGold Amazing yield of tangy-sweet little golden cherry tomatoes.

Golden-fruited types

• Pineapple Large golden fruit striated red. Sweet flavor, good production.

or

Lemon Boy
 Medium-size bright gold fruit,
holds well, high yields, very sweet.

Can I please plant some more types?

How about....

- Abraham Lincoln
- Ace
- Better Boy
- Brandy Boy
- Mortgage Lifter
- San Marzano
- Sweet 100
- Whopper

These have all done well for me. Not recommended here: Brandywine, Beefsteak.

What about the Wild Boar Farms introductions?

Outstanding:

- Barry's Crazy Cherry
- Michael Pollan
- Pink Furry Boar
- Pork Chop
- Red Furry Boar
- Sweet Carneros Pink
- Yellow Furry Boar

Promising: Amos Coli, Solar Flare, Spot Yellow, Wine Jug Popular: Pink Berkeley Tie-Dye Lots of new introductions every year!

New, great fruit, amazing yields in 2018:

• Chef's Choice Orange

The outstanding Chef's Choice series now includes red, pink, and yellow varieties as well.

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