

# Hill Country Vegetable Survey 2024

## Potato (“Yukon Gold” vs “Huckleberry Gold”)

### General Growing

How were your potatoes grown?

In-ground garden

Raised bed

Regular container

Hay gardening/stackable container

How was it fertilized?

No fertilizer used

Compost only

Compost + other organic fertilizers

Non-organic fertilizers

Pest & Disease Problems Noted. *Check more than one if necessary.*

No problems noted

Nematodes

Pillbugs

Potato bugs

Unknown bug

Freeze damage

Holes in potatoes

Unknown fungus

Tiny potatoes

Virus

Problem that prevented any harvest from the vegetable? *Check more than one if necessary.*

Too much insect damage

Disease killed plant

Never sprouted

Never planted it

Deer/Wildlife ate it all

Plant froze

Rotten potatoes

Unknown but there are no potatoes

Grower error

### Variety 1 “Yukon Gold”

Planting Date

Harvest Date

Number of tubers per plant

Weight of Tubers per plant (list both)

Overall Rating (1 lowest, 10 highest)

What did you like about it? *Check more than one if necessary.*

Healthy plant

Compact sized plant

Taste

Size of tubers

Appearance of tubers

Ease of harvest

Number of tubers

Did you “hill” (pile dirt around the stem to encourage production) your potato plant?

Yes, twice

Yes, once

No, none

### Variety 2 “Huckleberry Gold”

Planting Date

Harvest Date

Number of tubers per plant

Weight of Tubers per plant (list both)

Overall Rating (1 lowest, 10 highest)

What did you like about it? *Check more than one if necessary.*

Healthy plant

Compact sized plant

Taste

Size of tubers

Appearance of tubers

Ease of harvest

Number of tubers

Did you “hill” (pile dirt around the stem to encourage production) your potato plant?

Yes, twice

Yes, once

No, none

## Summary Comparison

Make a mark in the column that best applies.

Potatoes	“Yukon Gold”	“Huckleberry Gold”	No Difference Between the Two
Biggest Plants			
Healthiest Plants			
First to Yellow and Dieback			
Produced the Most Tubers			
Best Flavor			
Prettiest Tubers			
Most Insect Damage (Plants)			
Most Insect Damage (Tubers)			
Most Disease Damage (Plants)			
Most Disease Damage (Tubers)			

## Additional Comments About the Varieties

### Information About this Survey (*aka the fine print*)

Thank you for taking this survey. The purpose of this survey is to find out which vegetable varieties work best for gardeners in the Texas Hill Country. The eventual goal is to have a list of locally tested vegetable varieties to recommend to local vegetable gardeners.

This datasheet is due when your plant dies or August 31<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Information from all surveys turned in will be compiled and a report sent to all participants. Results will also be published in the Gillespie County Horticulture Newsletter, the annual extension results demonstration reports, and possibly in a newspaper column in the Fredericksburg Standard. No individual names will be associated with the report. Names should not be put on the datasheet, and names will only be used to send reminders about turning the report form. Names will be kept confidential.

You do not need to participate in the “Grow It Cook It” or “Plantastic Gardening Seminar” programs to participate in this survey. Please see the easy gardening series at [aggie horticulture \(https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/\)](https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/) for growing information.

This survey is voluntary. There are no foreseeable risks associated with this survey than those normally encountered while vegetable gardening in the Texas Hill Country. This form should not take more than twenty minutes to complete. The filling out of this form is considered consent to participate in this survey.

For questions regarding this survey, please contact Beth McMahon at [Elizabeth.mcmahon@agnet.tamu.edu](mailto:Elizabeth.mcmahon@agnet.tamu.edu) or 830-997-3452.