

### Good News

- **Eggs** – Shell eggs are easing off this week as the market stabilizes.
- **Avocados** – Prices have eased considerably. 48 and 60 ct out of MX are best buys.
- **Apricots FM** – Harcot variety are in this week from Tenerelli with excellent quality. 9#, item 6945.
- **Heirloom Eggplant** – Suzie’s small mixed case is available by preorder; item# 20284, 20# case.
- **Purple & Yellow Wax Beans** – Suzie’s has product available. Yellow 10 lb case item# 18339 & Purple item# 6407 per/lb.

### Bad News

- **Liquid Eggs** – Prices will remain at high levels through June as producers try to catch up.
- **Lemons** – Continue to be very high, especially on 165 ct and larger sizes. Relief expected towards the end of the month when Chilean product begins.
- **Blueberries** – Conventional product is winding down in CA to Oregon. Quality may be off as supply transitions and prices will firm.
- **Artichokes** – Supplies are very tight especially on the smaller sizes and baby. Some FM product is available on the baby but prices are high.

### Amenity List

- 6962 Peaches, \*FM Yellow
- 22651 Nectarines, \*FM Yellow
- 6945 Apricots, \*FM
- 5744 Cherries, \*FM Red
- 5754 & 24495 Tangerines, Pixie
- 2847 & 2846 Tangerines, Clementines
- 23828 Tangerines, \*FM Tree Ripe
- 1258 & 1259 Kumquats
- 929 Figs, Black Mission
- 2362 Dragonfruit
- 3468 Pineapples, So. African Baby
- 1379 Longan
- 3374 & 3375 Watermelon, Sugar Baby
- 1986 & 1987 Passionfruit
- 2196 & 2197 Pears, Asian Small
- 305 & 306 Cape Gooseberries
- 4702 Pears, Asian Fragrant
- 2220 & 2219 Pears, Forelle
- 6665 Rambutan Vietnamese

### Featured Product

#### “Kiss” Melons

*Item# 6312 Sugar Kiss® Melons (25 lb)* are a proprietary variety with a round cantaloupe-like shape and pale light netting on the rind. The inner flesh is a light golden-orange with a sweet, soft texture that’s similar to a Crenshaw melon. Often described as “melt-in-your-mouth” sweet.

*Item# 6279 The Golden Kiss® melon (8) ct* is a delectable gourmet Charentais melon. Its striking gold-green ridged netting shields a bright orange flesh with a small seed cavity. Golden Kiss® has a very juicy, somewhat tender flesh and a mild melon flavor, sweet finish and hints of pear.

*Item# 4285 Summer Kiss Melon (11) ct* are mellow and creamy with light green flesh. Very sweet and juicy and great to add color to any melon bowl.

## Market Overview

### Avocadoes

Market has leveled out and all sizes are great buys right now. Quality is good.

### Artichokes

Smaller sizes and babies are extremely limited right now. FM baby product is available but at greater cost. Larger sizes are in good supply and price is steady.

### Asparagus

**Conventional** – Nor Cal has finished and MX fields are transitioning. Prices up slightly especially on Jumbo.

**White (Peru)** – Supply is steady. Item# 117.

### Brussel Sprouts

Supply out of MX. Sizing is running larger and quality is good.

### Stone Fruit

*\*Peaches are still cling variety but we will start seeing freestone fruit by the end of June\**

**Gold Velvet Apricots** – Product has finished.

**Apricots** – Frog Hollow in for this week. Item# 6945.

**Yellow Peaches/Nectarines** – Plenty of local product on hand from Fitzgerald and Regier (Yellow Peaches only).

**White Peaches/Nectarines** – Fitzgerald Farms product in for this week. Larger sizing.

**Cherries** – About 2 weeks left. *Red FM (5744) from Zuckerman and Rainiers FM (22389) from Regier Farms.*

**Plums** – CA small red plums are in by the 2-layer case. Item# 2389.

**Black Plums & Pluots** – About 2 weeks out still due to the delay from the holiday.

### Romaine/Hearts, Butter Leaf, & Cauliflower

Supply out of Salinas remains tight as quality issues and insect damage have limited growers. Price is up.

### Green/Red Leaf, Celery, Butter Leaf, Celery, Cabbage, Spinach & Broccoli

Prices have eased and quality is great.

### Peas & Beans

**Sugar Snap & Snow** – Supply is good out of Peru, MX, and CA. **English peas & Favas are a better option.**

**English Peas** – Product has finished up. What's available is poor quality.

**Pea Tendrils** – McGrath has finished for the summer.

**Fava Beans** – Plenty of Carpenter Farms product on hand, great quality. Item# 6304.

**Blue Lake** – Prices have eased considerably and will remain steady through June.

### Melons

**Honeydew** – Mostly out of MX with some CA/AZ mixed in. Quality is very good.

**Cantaloupe** – CA & AZ desert product is in and cutting well. Prices have firmed a bit.

**Watermelon** – MX product is winding down and we are going to switch to CA. Prices will be up slightly.

**Yellow Watermelon** – Product available by the each, item# 1492.

**Mix Melon** – County Line Harvest, cutting well for early fruit. Item# 18954 in a 20# case.

**Kiss Melons** – Heirloom products are available and cutting very well.

### Garlic

Prices have held at a moderately high levels. Growers still trying to recoup; additional relief in June.

## Peppers

**Bells** – Green is the best deal right now but gold and red are all at good levels. Supply out of Bakersfield.

**Red Fresno** – Prices remain high this week. Looking for relief in June if the weather holds out.

**Red Thai** – Very limited right now as product has not had time to redden on the vines.

**Padron** – Very plentiful. Suzie's Farm product on hand by the pound, item# 5442.

## Tomatoes

**Slicing/Romas** – Prices are down on both slicing and romas. Supply and quality continue to be very good.

**Local Beefsteaks** – CA Sunrise Farms & Valdivia Farms product is in right now. 8-10# case, item# 5414.

**Grape & Cherry** – Cherry tomatoes are down but **grapes are still a better buy**. Quality is good.

**Heirlooms** – Quality on CA product is very good. Baby/Small are still high but have eased.

**Teardrop** – Supply is short on yellow and red.

## Mushrooms

**Porcinis** – Good supply this week.

**Chanterelles** – Quality is good and prices have come off.

**Hedgehog** – Gapping this week.

**Morel** – Product available with decent quality. Prices are way down.

**Black Trumpet** – Finished for the season.

**Oyster/Shiitake** – Quality is good and price is holding at lower levels.

## Cucumbers

**Standard** – Quality is good and prices are holding at lower levels.

**English/Hot House** – Prices are holding at lower levels.

## Citrus

**Lemons** – Prices are way up, especially on larger sizes. Avoid Sunkist label if possible. Best deal is on 200 ct.

**Limes** – Prices have eased considerably on the higher counts. 200/225 counts are the best buys right now.

**Blood Oranges** – Supply is gapping until imports start up in the next 3-4 weeks.

**Grapefruit** – CA Ruby Red product is now being shipped. Color may be lighter but quality is good.

**Local Oro Blanco** – Bernard Ranch will have product for another couple of weeks, then we will switch to Polito.

**Local Valencia's** – JJ Lone Daughter product is in house and is fantastic for juicing. Item# 5710 is a great buy right now and will be for the next couple of months.

**Navels** – Season is finished and we have switched over to Valencias.

## Berries

**Straws** – Prices have dropped and supply is excellent out of Santa Maria, Watsonville, and Salinas.

**Black** – MX is winding down. Pudwill Farms (\*FM code 6674) product is plentiful and at a reduced price.

**Blues** – Quality is good out of CA. Pudwill Farms (\*FM code 6673) product is plentiful and at a reduced price.

**Ras** – Great quality out of CA. Local product available \*FM 6676 and Gold will be available by pre-order, 22580.

## Squash

**Local Baby Summer** – Fantastic product in from Valdivia and a mixed case from Suzie's, item# 24698.

**Yellow Squash & Zucchini** – Both are in great supply out of MX. Price is down and quality is excellent.

**Acorn Butternut/Spaghetti** – Prices are down on product out of North MX and quality is good.

**Blossoms** – Available from Valdivia in a 50 ct pack.

## Hawaiian Papaya

Supply continues to be a challenge due to last August's hurricane in HI. Major relief still not expected until early 2016.