



# CANTALOUPE

## Did you know?

For perfect flavor, let your cantaloupe sit at room temperature (not in the window) until you can tell it is ripe.

If you like your cantaloupe cold, put it into the refrigerator after it has ripened.

- Melons came originally from the Orient, via Armenia, to Europe and then to America.

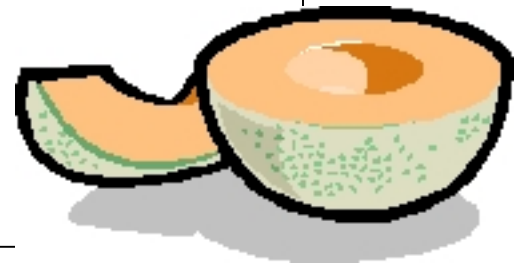
What Americans call cantaloupe is actually muskmelon. True cantaloupe is not netted, has a smooth to rough skin and is not commercially grown in the United States. Europeans recognize a clear distinction between cantaloupe and muskmelon.

## TAKE THE CANTALOUPE QUIZ

### HISTORY:

**Alexandre Dumas loved melons so much, he offered to the city council of Cavaillon all of his published works and future publications in exchange for what?**

- A. A life annuity of twelve melons per year.
- B. A donkey cart full of melons for ten years.
- C. A subscription to Time magazine.
- D. Two chickens and a goat.



### SCIENCE:

**Cantaloupe gets its name from what Italian city?**

- A. the city of Cantalupo, where it was grown after being imported from Armenia in the first century AD.
- B. Cant tella fruit, where it was discovered and used in place of bocce balls till it split open and someone tasted it.
- C. CNNi fruit, where it is featured on the news every night in the form of different frozen fruit drinks.

