



**Watermelon Cal Sweet Bush**  
**AAS Edible Regional Winner**  
**Regions: GL**

From ancient wild watermelons in the African desert to today's new selections, watermelons have come a long way! Cal Sweet Bush is another example of how ongoing breeding efforts result in a new and better product. This is a true short internode (the sections between the stem joints) watermelon. These watermelons have compact, bushy vines that grow only 14-18" long and still provide enough foliage cover to protect the fruits. Each plant yields 2-3 fruits weighing 10 -12 pounds. Like all AAS Winners, this newbie delivers exceptional taste and texture. Cal Sweet Bush is a great watermelon choice for gardeners with limited space or those wanting a container melon. Cal Sweet Bush will produce at least one fruit per vine if grown in a container. AAS Garden Tip: pick when the tendril is dried and brown for best fruit flavor.

### **AAS® Winner Data**

**Genus species:** *Citrullus lanatus*

**Common name:** Watermelon

**Fruit size:** 10-12 inches, 10-12 pounds, round to oval

**Color:** Dark Green mottled rind with red flesh

**Plant spread:** 14-18 inches

**Plant habit:** Compact

**Garden location:** Full sun

**Garden spacing:** 10-12 inches

**Length of time to harvest:** 65 days from transplant, 90 days from sowing seed

**Disease resistance:** Powdery Mildew

**Closest comparisons on market:** Starlight F1

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