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*Cucumis*

*Cucurbitaceae*

*Cucumis* is a classical Latin name for cucumber or melon.

Botanically the many different varieties of melon are divided into two subspecies, namely

*Cucumis agrestis* that have inedible fruit, and *Cucumis melo* that bear the edible ones.

The latter can then be broken down into further groups as indicated below. (The water melon, although from the same family, is found in a different genus ie. *Citrullus*.)

Some species are potentially poisonous.