# LET'S EXPLORE: SWEET POTATOES!



PATH TO PANACEA

# FUN FACTS

- · You can eat the whole plant! Sweet potatoes are a root.
- Native Americans were growing sweet potatoes when Columbus arrives in 1492.
- · They are very nutrient dense, packed with vitamins A & C, calcium and potassium
  - · Vitamin A helps you see clearly, its good for your eyes.
  - · Vitamin C keeps your immune system healthy.
  - · Potassium helps your heart and muscles work better.
  - · Calcium is important for healthy bones.
- · Sweet potatoes are roots where as potatoes and yams are tubers (underground stems).

# SEASON

# STORAGE

SELECT

Harvested in fall, but available through winter, spring, and summer

in a cool dark place

choose potatoes that are firm with dark skin

### RECIPE FOR SWEET POTATO PANCAKES

### Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup potatoes (mashed)
- 2 pastured eggs
- · Pinch of salt, ginger, allspice
- · Butter or coconut oil for pan frying

#### Instructions:

- · Whisk or mash together sweet potatoes and egg
- · Scoop out mixture into pancake sized rounds
- Pan fry for 3-5 minutes in butter or coconut oil.