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## Framed Botanical: Cucumis Melo (Melon), France Circa 1890



List: \$1,400

This lithograph is one in a series of eight, illustrating "Cucumis Melo," the melon; with varying shades of green and yellow, and intricate vines and leaves. The study details the melon's segmented exterior with an occasional flower in bloom, characteristic of scientific botanical illustrations of the late 19th century, circa 1890. [1. [Binomial nomenclature](#), the formal system of naming species of living things, was developed by [Carl Linnaeus](#) in the mid-18th century. Each species is assigned a unique two-part name: the genus name, which is capitalized, and the species name, which is not. This system, introduced in Linnaeus' seminal work '[Species Plantarum](#)' in 1753, brought a standardized and consistent method to the classification and naming of plants and animals, which is still the cornerstone of modern taxonomy. The nomenclature serves as a universal language among scientists and scholars, allowing for clear and precise communication regarding biological research. The enduring legacy of [Linnaean taxonomy](#) is evident in these exquisite botanical lithographs, where the artistry of the past converges with scientific discovery.

See The Father of Taxonomy, Science, Source: Roy Porter, Ed., The Biographical Dictionary of Scientists (Oxford University Press, ed. 2, 1994). link: [The Father of Taxonomy](#) ] The print is double matted and presented in a gold frame.

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width: 20.5 in. (52 cm),

depth: 2 in. (5 cm)

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- Period: Late 19th Century
- Creation Date: Circa 1890
- Materials: framed art, illustration, lithographs
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- Condition: Excellent