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Early Butternut Squash

Cucurbita moschata 'Early Butternut'



Early Butternut Squash fruit
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 3 feet

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Winter Squash

Description:

Early maturing and low maintenance make this semi-bush variety ideal for short growing seasons; producing 2lb tan, elongated squashes with bulbous bases; dark orange flesh with its well balanced, sweet and nutty flavor create delicious pies and soups

Edible Qualities

Early Butternut Squash is an annual vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities. It produces tan oblong fruit with orange flesh which are typically harvested when mature. The fruits have a sweet taste and a firm texture.

The fruit are most often used in the following ways:

- Cooking
- Baking
- Freezing

Planting & Growing

Early Butternut Squash will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. This vegetable plant is an annual, which means that it will grow for one season in your garden and then die after producing a crop.

This plant is typically grown in a designated vegetable garden. It should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone over the growing season to conserve soil moisture. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.