## **Plant Finder**





Big Boss Man Pepper Capsicum annuum 'Big Boss Man'

Height: 4 feet Spread: 3 feet Spacing: 3 feet Sunlight: **O** Hardiness Zone: (annual) Group/Class: Hot Poblano

**Description:** 

A wonderful poblano variety that is perfect for sunny gardens; large fruit develop from dark green to crimson red with thick walls; a medium to hot heat level, great for chile relleno, roasting and drying; dried peppers are rich in color and taste

## **Edible Qualities**

Big Boss Man Pepper is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities. It produces large dark green heart-shaped peppers (which are technically 'berries') with red flesh which are usually ready for picking from early summer to early fall. The fruit will often fade to crimson over time. The peppers have a hot taste.

The peppers are most often used in the following ways:

- Cooking
- Baking
- Drying
- Seasoning
- Freezing

## **Planting & Growing**

Big Boss Man Pepper will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 3 feet apart. 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.



Big Boss Man Pepper fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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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 pH, but grows best in rich soils. 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.

Big Boss Man Pepper is a good choice for the vegetable garden, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Because of its height, it is often used as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.