

## **Plant Finder**



Sureno Hot Pepper Capsicum annuum 'Sureno'

Height: 20 inches Spread: 16 inches Spacing: 18 inches Sunlight: **O** Hardiness Zone: (annual) Group/Class: Hot Serrano

### **Description:**

This beautiful compact variety is the perfect addition to patio containers and gardens; firm and flavorful green, elongated fruit ripen to red; spicy and hot, delicious in salsas, in salads or even pickled or grilled

### **Edible Qualities**

Sureno Hot Pepper is an annual vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities, although it does have ornamental merits as well. It produces dark green long peppers (which are technically 'berries') which can be harvested at any point. The fruit will often fade to red over time. The peppers have a spicy taste and a crunchy texture.

The peppers are most often used in the following ways:

- Eating When Cooked/Prepared
- Cooking
- Drying
- Seasoning
- Sauces

### **Planting & Growing**

Sureno Hot Pepper will grow to be about 20 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 16 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 18 inches 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.



Sureno Hot Pepper fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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This plant can be integrated into a landscape or flower garden by creative gardeners, but is usually 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.

Sureno Hot Pepper is a good choice for the vegetable garden, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use 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. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.