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Little SnowPea White

Pisum sativum var. macrocarpon 'Little SnowPea White'

Height: 24 inches Spread: 14 inches Spacing: 10 inches Sunlight: **O**

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Description:

Early maturing with a compact habit, this variety is ideal for small gardens and patio containers; produces heavy yields of small to medium, flat green pods that are delicious and crunchy; perfect for eating fresh off the bush or steamed; fixes nitrogen

Edible Qualities

Little SnowPea White is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities. The entire above-ground parts of the plant are edible, and are usually harvested from late spring to mid fall. The edible parts have a sweet taste and a crisp texture.

The plant is most often used in the following ways:

- Fresh Eating
- Eating When Cooked/Prepared
- Cooking
- Baking
- Freezing

Planting & Growing

Little SnowPea White will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 14 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 10 inches apart. Because of its vigorous growth habit, it may require staking or supplemental support. This fast-growing vegetable plant is an annual, which means that it will grow for one season in your garden and then die after producing a crop.



Little SnowPea White 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. This plant is capable of fixing its own nitrogen, which means that it is effectively self-fertilizing. As a result it should not require supplemental fertilizing, and if you do fertilize it, be sure to only use a low-nitrogen fertilizer to promote root growth. 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.

Little SnowPea White is a good choice for the vegetable garden, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. 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.