Millennium Asparagus

Asparagus 'Millennium'

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 30 inches

Spacing: 18 inches

Sunlight: ○ ◐

Hardiness Zone: 2

Other Names: Guelph Millennium Asparagus

Description:

A predominantly male variety that produces a high quality, tender spear with excellent flavor; grows well in most soil types; let foliage stand over winter to insulate crowns and cut back in spring; enrich soil with compost

Edible Qualities

Millennium Asparagus is a perennial vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities. The stems are usually harvested from mid to late spring. The stems have a pleasant taste.

The stems are most often used in the following ways:

- Cooking
- Pickling

Planting & Growing

Millennium Asparagus will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 30 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 18 inches apart. It grows at a medium rate, and under ideal conditions can be expected to live for approximately 15 years. As an herbaceous perennial, this plant will usually die back to the crown each winter, and will regrow from the base each spring. Be careful not to disturb the crown in late winter when it may not be readily seen!



Millennium Asparagus fruit
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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This plant is typically grown in a designated vegetable garden. It does best in full sun to partial shade. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This particular variety is an interspecific hybrid.