Calypso Cucumber

Cucumis sativus 'Calypso'



Calypso Cucumber fruit
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Height: 4 feet

Spread: 18 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Description:

A beautiful early maturing, compact bush variety; producing high yields of 3" long, blocky dark green cucumbers with small white spines; lovely sweet and crisp flavor, great for pickling or fresh eating; suitable for small gardens and patio containers

Edible Qualities

Calypso Cucumber is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities. It produces small dark green long cucumbers (which are technically 'berries') with white spines and light green flesh which can be harvested at any point. The cucumbers have a sweet taste and a crisp texture.

The cucumbers are most often used in the following ways:

- Fresh Eating
- Eating When Cooked/Prepared
- Pickling

Planting & Growing

Calypso Cucumber will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 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.

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 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 quite intolerant of urban pollution, therefore inner city or urban streetside plantings are best avoided. 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.

Calypso Cucumber 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. 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.