Rainbow Bell Sweet Pepper

Capsicum annuum 'Rainbow Bell'



Rainbow Bell Sweet Pepper fruit
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 30 inches

Spread: 12 inches

Spacing: 18 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Sweet Bell

Description:

A beautiful rainbow in any sunny garden or patio container; produces a variety of brightly colored bell peppers, from yellow and orange to red and green; sweet and crunchy, perfect for creating vegetable platters and salads

Edible Qualities

Rainbow Bell Sweet Pepper is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities. It produces green peppers (which are technically 'berries') with orange overtones which can be harvested at any point. The fruit will often fade to red over time. The peppers have a sweet taste and a crunchy texture.

The peppers are most often used in the following ways:

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

Planting & Growing

Rainbow Bell Sweet Pepper will grow to be about 30 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 18 inches apart. Because of its vigorous growth habit, it may require staking or supplemental support. 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 somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America, and it is considered by many to be an heirloom variety.

Rainbow Bell Sweet Pepper 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.