Anthem Sweet Corn

Zea mays 'Anthem'



Anthem Sweet Corn fruit
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Height: 5 feet

Spread: 18 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: sh2

Description:

An easy to grow, sturdy and vigorous variety, maturing in time for sunny summer BBQs; produces 8" long ears of corn with rows full of juicy bi-colored yellow and cream kernels; supersweet and tender, perfect for eating off the cob, grilling and freezing

Edible Qualities

Anthem Sweet Corn is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities, although it does have ornamental merits as well. It produces small cobs of yellow long kernels with white variegation which are typically harvested when mature. The kernels have an exceptionally sweet taste and a juicy texture.

The kernels are most often used in the following ways:

- Cooking
- Baking
- Preserves
- Canning
- Freezing

Planting & Growing

Anthem Sweet Corn will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. 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. This is a self-pollinating variety, so it doesn't require a second plant nearby to set fruit.

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 may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selection of a native North American species.