Early Giant Pumpkin

Cucurbita maxima 'Early Giant'



Early Giant Pumpkin fruit
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 12 feet

Spacing: 4 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Description:

A wonderful early maturing and easy to grow variety that features long rambling vines, perfect for large sunny gardens; produces tall oblong, deep orange pumpkins with slight ribbing; excellent sweet and nutty flavor, great for soups, stews and baking

Edible Qualities

Early Giant Pumpkin is an annual vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities. It produces large orange oblong fruit with orange flesh which are typically harvested when mature. The fruits have a pleasant taste and a firm texture.

The fruit are most often used in the following ways:

- Cooking
- Baking
- Preserves
- Freezing

Planting & Growing

Early Giant Pumpkin will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 feet. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 4 feet 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 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 selection of a native North American species.; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.