Marijuana

Cannabis sativa

Height: 8 feet

Spread: 26 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Description:

An easy to grow variety cultivated for both medicinal and recreational use; vigorous plants produce pungent flowers that when dried can be added to culinary dishes and baked good; please refer to local and federal legislation prior to growing or procuring

Edible Qualities

Marijuana is an annual herb that is typically grown for its edible qualities. It produces clusters of green flowers which are harvested in mid summer. The flowers have an earthy taste.

The flowers are most often used in the following ways:

- Eating When Cooked/Prepared
- Cooking
- Baking
- Drying
- Tea

Planting & Growing

Marijuana will grow to be about 8 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 26 inches. It has a low canopy with a typical clearance of 1 foot from the ground. This fast-growing annual will normally live for one full growing season, needing replacement the following year. This is a dioecious species, meaning that individual plants are either male or female. Only the females will produce fruit, and a male variety of the same species is required nearby as a pollinator.



Marijuana foliage
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This plant is typically grown in a designated herb garden. It should only be grown in full sunlight. It prefers to grow in average to moist conditions, and shouldn't be allowed to dry out. 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 species is not originally from North America..

Marijuana is a good choice for the edible 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.