Gold Nugget Squash

Cucurbita maxima 'Gold Nugget'



Gold Nugget Squash fruit and flesh
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 3 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Spacing: 24 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Winter Squash

Description:

A bush plant with fruit setting in clusters at the base, a perfect choice for small gardens; round, orange fruit weighing 1-3lbs have firm, golden yellow flesh; used as a sweet potato substitute, its delicious flavor is great for savory or sweet dishes

Edible Qualities

Gold Nugget Squash is an annual vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities. It produces small orange round fruit with gold flesh which are typically harvested when mature. The fruits have a sweet taste and a firm texture.

The fruit are most often used in the following ways:

- Cooking
- Baking
- Preserves
- Freezing

Planting & Growing

Gold Nugget Squash will grow to be about 3 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 24 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. This plant is a heavy feeder that requires frequent fertilizing throughout the growing season to perform at its best. 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 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.