Speckled Hound Pumpkin

Cucurbita maxima 'Speckled Hound'



Speckled Hound Pumpkin fruit
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 6 feet

Spacing: 3 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Description:

A beautiful and uncommon, medium vining variety that is perfect for home and market gardens; good yields of pale salmon fruit with blue-green splotches and deep ribbing; thick and dense yellow-orange flesh is sweet and nutty, perfect for culinary use

Edible Qualities

Speckled Hound Pumpkin is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities. It produces salmon round fruit with bluish-green variegation and orange 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

Planting & Growing

Speckled Hound Pumpkin will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 6 feet. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 3 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. 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 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.