Sancho Melon

Cucumis melo var. inodorus 'Sancho'



Sancho Melon fruit
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Height: 24 inches

Spread: 6 feet

Spacing: 24 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Santa Claus Melon, Christmas Melon

Description:

A lovely vigorous vining selection, perfect for sunny gardens; produces green and gold striped oval-shaped melons with pale green-almost white inner flesh; mild and sweet melon flavor, ideal for fresh eating, fruit salads and desserts

Edible Qualities

Sancho Melon is an annual vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities. It produces green oval melons (which are technically 'berries') with gold stripes and light green flesh which are typically harvested when mature. The melons have a sweet taste with a juicy texture and a pleasant fragrance.

The melons are most often used in the following ways:

- Fresh Eating
- Eating When Cooked/Prepared
- Preserves
- Juice-Making
- Freezing

Planting & Growing

Sancho Melon 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 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. It is not particular as to soil type or pH. 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, and it is considered by many to be an heirloom variety.