Sport Hot Pepper

Capsicum annuum 'Sport'



Sport Hot Pepper fruit
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Height: 24 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Hot Tabasco

Description:

A high yielding variety producing ample amounts of small, upward facing hot peppers; most commonly picked while green and pickled for sandwiches or salads; a great addition to sunny gardens or patio containers

Edible Qualities

Sport Hot Pepper is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities. It produces light green narrow peppers (which are technically 'berries') which can be harvested at any point. The fruit will often fade to red over time. The peppers have a spicy taste and a crisp texture.

The peppers are most often used in the following ways:

- Cooking
- Drying
- Pickling
- Seasoning
- Sauces

Planting & Growing

Sport Hot Pepper will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. 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 type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Sport Hot Pepper is a good choice for the vegetable 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.