



Luscious Corn *Zea mays 'Luscious'*

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 12 inches

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: ☐

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Description:

A well loved and extremely popular variety, producing blunt, 8" long ears of corn full of sweet, meaty and tender creamy white and yellow kernels; tall plants with low setting fruit make for easy harvest; an great choice for salsas, salads or fresh eating

Edible Qualities

Luscious Corn is an annual vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities, although it does have ornamental merits as well. It produces small cobs of yellow long kernels with creamy white variegation which are harvested from early summer to early fall. The kernels have a sweet taste and a crisp texture.

The kernels are most often used in the following ways:

- Eating When Cooked/Prepared
- Cooking
- Canning
- Freezing

Planting & Growing

Luscious Corn will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. This fast-growing vegetable plant is an annual, which means that it will grow for one season in your garden and then die after producing a crop. Because of its relatively short time to maturity, it lends itself to a series of successive plantings each staggered by a week or two; this will prolong the effective harvest period. This is a self-pollinating variety, so it doesn't require a second plant nearby to set fruit.



Luscious Corn fruit
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

This plant can be integrated into a landscape or flower garden by creative gardeners, but is usually 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. 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. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.