## **Plant Finder**





Tequila Bell Pepper Capsicum annuum 'Tequila Bell'

Height: 24 inches Spread: 20 inches Spacing: 24 inches Sunlight: **O** Hardiness Zone: (annual) Group/Class: Sweet Bell

#### **Description:**

Add some jewel tones to patio containers and gardens with this stunning variety; producing gorgeous fruit that emerges amethyst and matures to red; harvest at any stage of ripeness; balanced flavor profile is great for salads, fresh eating or even stuffed



Tequila Bell Pepper fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

#### **Edible Qualities**

Tequila Bell Pepper is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities, although it does have ornamental merits as well. It produces lavender peppers (which are technically 'berries') with creamy white variegation and creamy white flesh which can be harvested at any point. The fruit will often fade to red over time. The peppers have a sweet taste and a crisp texture.

The peppers are most often used in the following ways:

- Fresh Eating
- Eating When Cooked/Prepared
- Cooking

### **Planting & Growing**

Tequila Bell Pepper will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 20 inches. 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.

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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. 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.

Tequila Bell 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.