East Bay Nursery

King of the North Sweet Pepper

Capsicum annuum 'King of the North'



King of the North Sweet Pepper fruit
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 16 inches

Spacing: 18 inches

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Sweet Bell

Description:

An early maturing variety perfect for short season growing; sturdy bush-type plants produce large blocky bell peppers right until frost; emerging green and developing to red, these thick walled sweet peppers are great stuffed, grilled, baked or in salads;

Edible Qualities

King of the North Sweet Pepper is an annual vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities. It produces green peppers (which are technically 'berries') with red 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
- Baking
- Freezing

Planting & Growing

King of the North Sweet Pepper will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 16 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 18 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 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 selected variety of a species not originally from North America, and it is considered by many to be an heirloom variety.

King of the North Sweet 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. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.