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**Emerald Giant Sweet Pepper** Capsicum annuum 'Emerald Giant'

Height: 30 inches Spread: 20 inches Spacing: 24 inches Sunlight: O Hardiness Zone: (annual) Group/Class: Sweet Bell

## **Description:**

A wonderful thick walled, giant bell pepper variety, perfect for sunny gardens; emerging deep green and maturing to red, these blocky bells can reach up to 5" long and 4" wide; delicious when stuffed, grilled, roasted or added to salads

## **Edible Qualities**

Emerald Giant Sweet Pepper is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities. It produces large dark green 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 sweet taste and a crisp texture.

The peppers are most often used in the following ways:

- Fresh Eating
- Eating When Cooked/Prepared
- Cooking
- Baking
- Pickling

## **Planting & Growing**

Emerald Giant Sweet Pepper will grow to be about 30 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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Emerald Giant Sweet Pepper fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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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 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.

Emerald Giant 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. 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.

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