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### **Maxibel Bush Bean**

*Phaseolus vulgaris 'Maxibel'*

Height: 26 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Spacing: 20 inches

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

#### **Description:**

High yields on a sturdy upright bush type plant, perfect for large containers or small gardens; produces straight, stringless green pods that reach 7" long; tender and delicious, great for canning, freezing and salads; great variety for staggered planting

#### **Edible Qualities**

Maxibel Bush Bean is an annual vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities. The entire above-ground parts of the plant are edible, and are usually harvested from mid summer to early fall. The edible parts have a delicious taste and a crunchy texture.

The plant is most often used in the following ways:

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

#### **Planting & Growing**

Maxibel Bush Bean will grow to be about 26 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 20 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.



*Maxibel Bush Bean fruit*  
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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 conditions that are neither too wet nor too dry, and is very intolerant of standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is quite intolerant of urban pollution, therefore inner city or urban streetside plantings are best avoided. 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.

Maxibel Bush Bean 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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