



Orange Snacking Sweet Pepper Capsicum annuum 'Orange Snacking'

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 18 inches

Spacing: 18 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Sweet Mini

## **Description:**

A selection that features mini orange peppers, great for growing in small gardens or patio containers; a perfect lunchbox addition for children; sweet and crunchy, delicious when stuffed, grilled or fresh with dips



Orange Snacking Sweet Pepper fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

## **Edible Qualities**

Orange Snacking Sweet Pepper is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities, although it does have ornamental merits as well. It produces small green oblong peppers (which are technically 'berries') with orange flesh which are usually ready for picking from mid summer to early fall. The fruit will often fade to orange 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**

Orange Snacking Sweet Pepper will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 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 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. 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.

Orange Snacking 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.