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Burpee's Best Zucchini Cucurbita pepo var. cylindrica 'Burpee's Best'

Height: 30 inches Spread: 5 feet Spacing: 3 feet Sunlight: **O** Hardiness Zone: (annual) Other Names: Courgette

## **Description:**

A fantastic vigorous plant that produces large, ample yields of 8" long, dark green fruit with a lovely texture and flavor; exceptional when roasted, grilled or fresh in salads; early maturing and spine free plants make for easy harvests



Burpee's Best Zucchini fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

## **Edible Qualities**

Burpee's Best Zucchini is an annual vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities. It produces dark green long fruit with creamy white flesh which can be harvested at any point. The fruits have a delicious taste and a soft texture.

The fruit are most often used in the following ways:

- Eating When Cooked/Prepared
- Cooking
- Baking
- Freezing

## **Planting & Growing**

Burpee's Best Zucchini will grow to be about 30 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 3 feet 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.; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

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Burpee's Best Zucchini 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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