



Magic Lantern Pumpkin

Cucurbita pepo var. pepo 'Magic Lantern'

Height: 20 inches

Spread: 6 feet

Spacing: 24 inches

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Description:

A wonderful semi-vining variety that is perfect for smaller gardens; produces medium ribbed, 25 pound, deep orange fruit with delicious thick golden-orange flesh; beautiful used for carving or decor, as well as baked, steamed, stews and soups

Edible Qualities

Magic Lantern Pumpkin is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities. It produces orange round fruit with orange flesh which are typically harvested when mature. The fruits have a pleasant taste.

The fruit are most often used in the following ways:

- Cooking
- Baking
- Freezing

Planting & Growing

Magic Lantern Pumpkin will grow to be about 20 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 6 feet. 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.

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 type or pH. 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.



Magic Lantern Pumpkin fruit
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