

Butternut - Plant



Cucurbita moschata

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Description Butternut squash, also known in Australia and New Zealand as butternut pumpkin or gramma, is a type of winter squash. It has a sweet, nutty taste similar to that of a pumpkin.

Common name: Cucurbita moschata

Color: green

Bloom time: May to June

Height: 40.00 to 60.00 feet

Difficulty level: easy to grow

Planting & Care

The butternut squash growing season begins when all danger of frost is past and the soil is well warmed by the sun, about 60 to 65 F. (15-18 C.) at a 4-inch depth. Butternut squash plants are extremely tender and the seedlings will freeze with the slightest frost and seeds will only germinate in warm soil.

Sunlight: Full sun

Soil: well-drained soil

Water: Medium

Temperature: 400°F

Fertilizer: Apply any organic fertilizer

Care:

- Plant in a location that enjoys full sun and remember to water moderately.
- Keep in mind when planting that Waltham butternut is thought of as tender, so it is imperative to wait until temperatures are mild before planting out of doors.
- Use USDA Hardiness Zone 3 - 12 as your guideline for the appropriate climate for this plant.

Special Feature:

Butternut is of interest to native plant enthusiasts and for those who wish to harvest the nuts.

Use

Ornamental use:

- Preparing and Eating Decorative Squash and Pumpkins

Note:

Onset of the disease is often first seen as dying stems and branches in the upper crown.

Reference:

<http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org> <http://momprepares.com/>