

## **PLANT FINDER**



Howden Pumpkin

Cucurbita pepo var. pepo 'Howden'

Height: 20 inches

Spread: 10 feet

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

## **Description:**

A well loved variety with a vigorous spreading habit and uniform fruit; growing more than 20lbs each, these deep orange pumpkins with slight ribbing feature thick golden orange flesh on the inside; a perfect carving pumpkin or used for soups and stews

## **Edible Qualities**

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

The fruit are most often used in the following ways:

- Cooking
- Baking
- Preserves
- Freezing

## **Planting & Growing**

Howden Pumpkin will grow to be about 20 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 feet. 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.



Howden Pumpkin fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder