



Cherry Bomb Hot Pepper Capsicum annuum 'Cherry Bomb'

Height: 24 inches Spread: 18 inches Spacing: 24 inches Sunlight: **O** Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Hot Cherry

## **Description:**

A medium hot variety that produces bright red hot peppers, surrounded by green foliage; great for containers or gardens, these peppers have thicker walls allowing them to be stuffed without the worry of breaking; perfect for pickling and raw eating



Cherry Bomb Hot Pepper fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

## **Edible Qualities**

Cherry Bomb Hot Pepper is an annual vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities. It produces small green round peppers (which are technically 'berries') with red flesh which are typically harvested when mature. The peppers have a spicy taste and a crunchy texture.

The peppers are most often used in the following ways:

- Fresh Eating
- Eating When Cooked/Prepared
- Cooking
- Pickling

## **Planting & Growing**

Cherry Bomb Hot 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 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.

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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. 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 type or pH. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Cherry Bomb Hot 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.