Hot Pops Purple Ornamental Pepper

Capsicum annuum 'Hot Pops Purple'

Height: 6 inches

Spread: 8 inches

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Other Names: Ornamental Chili, Chili Pepper



Hot Pops Purple Ornamental Pepper fruit
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

Description:

An attractive ornamental pepper with both colorful fruit and handsome foliage; leaves are glossy deep green; small round fruits show purple and orange simultaneously ; a wonderful garden accent plant for hot locations



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Ornamental Features

Hot Pops Purple Ornamental Pepper is primarily grown for its highly ornamental fruit. The fruits are showy deep purple peppers which fade to orange over time, which are carried in abundance from mid summer to mid fall. Its attractive glossy pointy leaves remain dark green in color throughout the season.

This plant is primarily grown as an ornamental, but it's also valued for its edible qualities. The round spicy peppers are most often used in the following ways:

- Cooking
- Drying
- Seasoning
- Sauces

Landscape Attributes

Hot Pops Purple Ornamental Pepper is an herbaceous annual with an upright spreading habit of growth. Its medium texture blends into the garden, but can always be balanced by a couple of finer or coarser plants for an effective composition.

This plant will require occasional maintenance and upkeep, and should not require much pruning, except when necessary, such as to remove dieback. Deer don't particularly care for this plant and will usually leave it alone in favor of tastier treats. It has no significant negative characteristics.

Hot Pops Purple Ornamental Pepper is recommended for the following landscape applications;

- Mass Planting
- Border Edging
- General Garden Use
- Herb Gardens
- Container Planting
- Hanging Baskets

Planting & Growing

Hot Pops Purple Ornamental Pepper will grow to be only 6 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 inches. 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 should only be grown in full sunlight. It is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. 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. It can be propagated by cuttings; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.

Hot Pops Purple Ornamental Pepper is a fine choice for the garden, but it is also a good selection for planting in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a canvas of foliage against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.