



## **Satin Beauty Eggplant** *Solanum melongena 'Satin Beauty'*

Height: 18 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 18 inches

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

### **Description:**

The perfect bush type variety, ideal for patio containers and sunny gardens; produces an abundance of glossy dark purple, egg shaped fruit; delicious, mild and firm, ideal for grilling, roasting, baking and frying

### **Edible Qualities**

Satin Beauty Eggplant is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities, although it does have ornamental merits as well. It produces small deep purple oblong eggplants (which are technically 'berries') with creamy white flesh which are typically harvested when mature. The eggplants have a mild taste and a firm texture.

The eggplants are most often used in the following ways:

- Eating When Cooked/Prepared
- Cooking
- Baking
- Pickling
- Freezing

### **Planting & Growing**

Satin Beauty Eggplant will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 18 inches apart. This fast-growing vegetable plant is an annual, which means that it will grow for one season in your garden and then die after producing a crop.



*Satin Beauty Eggplant fruit*  
Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

This plant can be integrated into a landscape or flower garden by creative gardeners, but is usually 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 pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Satin Beauty Eggplant is a good choice for the vegetable garden, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing a mass of flowers 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.