## **Plant Finder**





Monte Gusto Pole Bean Phaseolus vulgaris 'Monte Gusto'

Height: 6 feet

Spread: 18 inches

Spacing: 6 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

#### **Description:**

A high yielding, early maturing and long producing variety; produces long, slender, buttery yellow pods, reaching 8 inches long; can be harvested early for salads, cooking, freezing and canning; trellising is highly recommended

#### **Edible Qualities**

Monte Gusto Pole Bean is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities. The entire above-ground parts of the plant are edible, and can be harvested at any time in the season. The edible parts have a pleasant taste and a crisp texture.

The plant is most often used in the following ways:

- Fresh Eating
- Cooking
- Drying
- Pickling
- Freezing

### **Planting & Growing**

Monte Gusto Pole Bean will grow to be about 6 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 6 inches apart. Because of its vigorous growth habit, it may require staking or supplemental support. 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.



Monte Gusto Pole Bean fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

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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 conditions that are neither too wet nor too dry, and is very intolerant of standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. This plant should not require much in the way of fertilizing once established, although it may appreciate a shot of general-purpose fertilizer from time to time early in the growing season. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is quite intolerant of urban pollution, therefore inner city or urban streetside plantings are best avoided. 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, and it is considered by many to be an heirloom variety.; however, as a cultivated variety, be aware that it may be subject to certain restrictions or prohibitions on propagation.