



**Bellatrix Pumpkin**  
*Cucurbita maxima 'Bellatrix'*

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 10 feet

Spacing: 3 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

**Description:**

A spooky Halloween needs a perfect carving pumpkin; this strong and vigorous variety produces uniform large, bright orange pumpkins with medium ribbing, weighing up to 25lbs each; can be used in soups and stews although it is better suited for décor

**Edible Qualities**

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

The fruit are most often used in the following ways:

- Cooking
- Baking
- Preserves

**Planting & Growing**

Bellatrix Pumpkin will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 10 feet. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 3 feet 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.

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 pH, but grows best in rich soils. 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.



*Bellatrix Pumpkin fruit*  
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