





Clemson Spineless Okra Abelmoschus esculentus 'Clemson Spineless'

Height: 4 feet

Spread: 3 feet

Spacing: 18 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

## **Description:**

Grown in sunny conditions, this heirloom variety can grow up to 4 feet in height; producing medium green, spineless and ribbed pods; mild and crunchy, great in strews, soups, preserves and pickled; harvest young when pods are 3" long

## **Edible Qualities**

Clemson Spineless Okra is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities. It produces olive green pointy pods which are harvested from mid summer to mid fall. The pods have a mild taste and a crunchy texture.

The pods are most often used in the following ways:

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

## **Planting & Growing**

Clemson Spineless Okra will grow to be about 4 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. 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.



Clemson Spineless Okra fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



Clemson Spineless Okra flowers 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 to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. 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. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America, and it is considered by many to be an heirloom variety. 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.