

Pole Bean – Mennonite Purple Stripe



Scientific Name: Phaseolus vulgaris

Growing Habit: Pole bean, a strong trellis is required to support these plants.

Where to Plant: Beans prefer full sun. They will tolerate partial shade but your yields will not be as high.

How to Plant: Plant seeds 2.5 cm (1 inch) deep in warm soil. Space 15 cm (6 inches) apart.

Days to Harvest: 70 days for snap beans, 100 days for dry beans.

These beans were brought by an old order of Swiss Mennonite to Waterloo County, Canada. These beans are tasty at any stage, surprisingly juicy even at the “in-between” point between snap and dry. Leave some pods to mature and you’ll have a fabulous bean for baking or bean dips!

Planting Tip: Beans do not like to be transplanted – sow them directly outside once your soil temperature has warmed up (late May or early June after fear of frost). Remember, soil takes longer to warm up than the air in early spring. Keep your soil moist but don’t overwater. Water early morning and avoid wetting the foliage of your plants. Pick beans regularly to keep the plant producing.

Happy Planting!



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