



## **Fresh Bites Red Sweet Pepper**

***Capsicum annuum 'Fresh Bites Red'***

Height: 12 inches

Spread: 8 inches

Sunlight: ☉

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Sweet Mini

### **Description:**

An exciting tabletop variety that you can grow indoors; mini sweet peppers with thick walls develop from green to red; a great way to get children involved in growing vegetables; tasty peppers are great for fresh eating, grilling or adding to salads

### **Edible Qualities**

Fresh Bites Red Sweet Pepper is an annual vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities, although it does have ornamental merits as well. It produces small green peppers (which are technically 'berries') with red flesh which are usually ready for picking from early summer to early fall. The fruit will often fade to red over time. The peppers have a sweet taste and a crisp texture.

The peppers are most often used in the following ways:

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

### **Planting & Growing**

Fresh Bites Red Sweet Pepper will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 8 inches. 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.



*Fresh Bites Red Sweet Pepper 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 is very adaptable to both dry and moist growing conditions, but will not tolerate any standing water. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. 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.

Fresh Bites Red Sweet Pepper 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.