Zucchini Golden Glory



Melons, pumpkins and squash all have yellow, trumpet-shaped flowers, though those of melons tend to be smaller. Large ones are prized for cooking by Mexican chefs, Italian chefs--and yours truly. The first to appear are usually male blossoms, and until the females appear, you can eat all you want of them. After that, leave a few of the guys for pollination purposes. You can recognize female blossoms by the little bump at the base that will become a squash once the flower has been pollinated.

Males just have a long stem--a perfect "handle" for dipping the flower in batter before deep frying.

Cucurbita pepo 'Golden Glory'

- <u>Use:</u> High-yielding plants with an open habit and few spines make it easy to harvest blemish-free fruit. Excellent disease resistance keeps the plant productive over a long season. Bright yellow fruits with solid green stems. Intermediate resistance to powdery mildew, watermelon mosaic virus, and zucchini yellow mosaic virus. Spineless
- <u>Exposure/Soil</u>: Full sun and try to keep water off the leaves.
 No sprinklers.
- <u>Growth</u>: Grows 6' or more and can be grown on a trellis.
- Hardiness/Harvest Time: Annual / Yields in 50 days. These thin-skinned vegetables store poorly, so harvest shortly before use and keep picking to ensure continued production. Avoid the baseball bat syndrome - enjoy them small and sweet.
- <u>Fruit</u> Straight, dark yellow 8 in/20 cm cylindrical fruit. Semi spineless, open, dark green plant. WMV, ZMV, Sf tolerant.