Passionfruit Vine





- <u>Use:</u> The passion fruit vine is a fast-growing climber that will add intrigue to your garden and flavor to your dinner table. These are vigorous plants that will climb to the treetops and explode in colorful blossoms and plentiful fruit. Even though they're easy to grow, these plants need lots of water, nutrients, and pruning. But the harvest is well worth it!
- **Exposure/Soil:** Plant your passion fruit in a location with full sun and in soil that is well-draining, loamy, and fertile. You may need to give extra water when the plants are fruiting and less during fall and winter. However, be careful not to overwater, as this can cause root issues. Since these plants are climbers, give them something to climb on, whether it's a trellis, arch, fence, or pergola.
- <u>Growth:</u> A vigorous vine, especially in the tropics, the passion fruit can grow over 20ft in a single year.
- *Hardiness:* Zone 10-11; Annual; Will reseed.
- <u>Foliage</u>: Three-lobed, deciduous leaves are dark-green above and whitish below.
- **Flower:** Intricate, 3 in., lavender flower are short-stalked from leaf axils. The petals and sepals subtend a fringe of wavy or crimped, hair-like segments. The pistil and stamens are also showy. Grown around the world, produces egg sized fruit filled with wonderfully tart, bright orange pulp.

Beloved : by hummingbirds and an exotic fruit • to use in recipes.