

Capsicum (Ornamental Pepper) Onyx Red™

Capsicum annuum



COLOR:	Fruit starts purple/black, changing to red, foliage turns dark purple under high light conditions
SIZE/PLANT HABIT:	Height: 6 - 12" / Annual
NOVELTY CHARACTERISTICS:	Compact and uniform; dark purple foliage in high light conditions; long shelf life; extreme heat tolerance
MARKET USE:	Bedding, pot; mixed containers; excellent for mid- to late-summer production, with attractive dark foliage early sales are encouraged as fruit colors-up in the landscape
<u>CULTURAL RECOMMENDATIONS:</u>	
CONTAINER SIZE:	
SOWING:	288 cell tray
FINISH CONTAINER:	1 plant per 4" pot and quart
PLUG STAGE:	
GERMINATION:	Emergence 8 – 12 days / 68 – 72°F
PLUG FINISH:	4 – 5 weeks in a 288 tray
FINISHING:	
TRANSPLANT TO FLOWER:	7 – 8 weeks: attractive foliage, no or small fruit / 9 – 12 weeks: black to red fruit (depending on temperature)
TEMPERATURE:	65 – 75°F day / 62 – 64°F night
FERTILIZE:	Every two weeks
PH:	5.8 – 6.2
COMMON DISEASE/PEST:	Aphids, Thrips, Whitefly
GARDEN:	Full sun, well-drained soil

NOTES:

- PGR - generally not recommended on Onyx Red
- Irrigation - 7–10 days after transplant let the plants dry to a slight wilt in-between watering
- When flowers appear, reduce fertilizer and continue to let plants dry between irrigations.
- Ornamental peppers are sensitive to oil based pesticides; some phytotoxicity has been observed under high light conditions.