

Dusky Eggplant



We love it baked with olive oil, minced Garlic, Onions, and freshly chopped Oregano and Parsley. Bon appétit!

Solanum melongena 'Dusky'

- **Use:** This was a winner in our kitchen garden trials, giving us lots of tender 6–7" fruit with glossy black skin and excellent flavor. 'Dusky' has that classic oval Eggplant shape and is an early variety (58 days), making it an ideal choice for gardeners with shorter growing seasons.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun and try to keep water off the leaves. Water the garden to provide a uniform moisture supply to the crop. Keep the leaves and fruit dry when watering and avoid overhead sprinkler irrigation. Water sufficiently to moisten the soil to a depth of 6 inches. The critical period for moisture is during fruit set and fruit development.
- **Growth:** Space transplants 18" - 24" apart in well drained soil. Rows should be spaced 24" to 36" apart. Keep the soil moist but never soggy. Mulching Eggplant is very beneficial as it helps to retain moisture and keep the soil at an even temperature.
- **Hardiness/Harvest Time:** Annual / Yields in 65 days from setting out transplants
- **Fruit** Plant produces high yields of 9" long dark purple oval eggplants. Excellent for eggplant parmesan or grilling.