

Aphrodite Cantaloupe



Tender orange flesh of succulent new sweetheart delivers pluperfect melodious honey-sweetness. Musky sweetness makes 'Aphrodite' the cantaloupe of choice for sublime desserts and breakfast alike. 6-8 lb. fruits capture classic, sublimely savory honey aromatics. Hardy plants are resistant to fusarium wilt and and powdery mildew.

Cucumis melo 'Aphrodite'

- **Use:** Earlier, larger, and slightly sweeter than Athena. High yield potential where larger-sized, 6-8 lbs. melons, are preferred. Once cantaloupe is picked, it continues to ripen but does not get any sweeter. When you grow your own cantaloupe, you can pick it at the peak of sweetness. It is so good! Once fruits have formed, raise them up off the ground with melon cradles or pots; this increases air circulation and helps with rot and insects. Grow cantaloupe vertically; they love to climb. Use a melon hammock to support the hanging fruit if desired, but it often isn't necessary.
- **Exposure/Soil:** Full sun or at least 5-6 hours of afternoon sun. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry.
- **Growth:** Plant every 18" in rows 6' apart.
- **Hardiness:** Zone 9-11, Annual
- **Fruit/Flower:** Melons are about six to eight pounds, making it a few pounds heavier than its sister, the Athena. Its spherical, tope-colored net and light sutures may make it difficult to discern from other cantaloupe varieties, but its aroma is unmistakable, with its musky, lightly sweetened scent.