Possum Purple Passionvine Trellis



Beloved by hummingbirds!

Passifllora sp. 'Possum Purple'

- <u>Use:</u> This amazing passion flower not only produces delicious, sweet purple fruit, it also has attractive frilly-edged flowers that passifloras are known for. It is self-pollinating with fruit appearing effortlessly and will fruit in a 10" pot. 'Purple Possum' is a strong vigorous grower, especially during the summer months, and needs support such as a trellis or stake. With a little encouragement, it makes a fine hanging basket. Periodically just wrap the wandering vines around the basket and in no time fruit will be dangling from the dark green leaves.
- <u>Exposure/Soil</u>: Full– part sun. Moist, well-drained soil, but not soggy. Use slow release fertilizer two times a year. Water regularly, when top 3 in. of soil is dry. Loves to be keep moist, but don't leave pot standing in water.
- <u>Growth</u>: This 15-20' vine a real summer treat when grown on a trellis or arbor.
- <u>Hardiness</u>: Zone 8-10; Tender Perennial; Will also re-seed.
- <u>Foliage</u>: Three-lobed, deciduous leaves are dark-green above and whitish below.
- <u>Flower</u>: Produces stunningly intricate flowers and highly aromatic, edible fruit. Passiflora vines are larval host plants for many butterflies, including the Zebra Longwing and Gulf Fritillary. Butterflies may eat your plants up, but Passifloras grow quickly enough to stay ahead of the larvae.