# Covington Sweet Potato

***Ipomoea batatas 'Covington'***



*Covington Sweet Potato fruit and flesh*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

Height: 15 inches

Spread: 6 feet

Spacing: 18 inches

Sunlight: ○

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

**Description:**

A cool weather performer, perfect for fall harvests; high yielding and heat tolerant, this variety produces large, elongated tubers that are deep rose in color with bright orange flesh; nutty sweet flavor, a perfect selection for baking, pies and chips

**Edible Qualities**

Covington Sweet Potato is an annual vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities. It produces large rose oblong tubers with orange flesh which are typically harvested when mature. The tubers have a sweet taste and a firm texture.

The tubers are most often used in the following ways:

- Eating When Cooked/Prepared
- Cooking
- Baking

**Planting & Growing**

Covington Sweet Potato will grow to be about 15 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 6 feet. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 18 inches apart. This vegetable plant is an annual, which means that it will grow for one season in your garden and then die after producing a crop.

This plant is typically grown in a designated vegetable garden. It should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. This plant does not require much in the way of fertilizing once established. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.