



### Plant Information

Common Name: Corn  
Scientific Name: Zea mays  
Plant Type: Annual

### Physical Characteristics

Height/Spread: 1.5-2.5 meters tall, 0.5-1 meter wide  
Growth Rate: Fast  
Flower Color(s): Yellow  
Foliage Color(s): Green  
Bloom Time: Summer

### Plant Description

Corn, also known as maize, is a staple crop in Canada and globally. This fast-growing annual plant produces tall green stalks with yellow flowers, ultimately yielding delicious edible kernels. Grown in full sun with moderate watering, corn thrives in fertile, well-drained soil. It is susceptible to pests like corn earworms and diseases such as corn smut. Corn is highly productive and valued for its culinary uses, making it a popular choice for home gardens and farms. When planted alongside beans, squash, and pumpkins, corn can benefit from companion planting, creating a mutually beneficial ecosystem in the garden.

### Optimal Growing Requirements



Sun: Full Sun



Soil: Well-drained, fertile soil



Water: Moderate Watering



Hardiness Zone(s): Zone 3-5

### Maintenance & Care

Maintenance Level: Moderate  
Potential Pests & Diseases: Common pests include corn earworms and armyworms; diseases can include corn smut and rust.

### Additional Information

Special Features: Highly productive plant, often used for food production.  
Common Uses: Grown for its edible kernels and also used in landscaping for height and privacy.

### Notes

