

## Kentucky Blue Pole Bean - 63 days

Large, straight, round 6-7 in. pods of excellent quality. This high quality pole bean is a cross between Kentucky Wonder and Blue Lake.

Pole-beans are in-determinate, different from Bush Beans- which means they continue to grow, blossom, fruit and keep growing. Before setting out the plants, mix a 1-inch layer of compost and a light application of an organic or timed-release fertilizer into the soil. When given a little starter fertilizer and biologically active compost, beans usually need no further feeding. Once the bean seedling is in the ground and teams up with bacteria in the soil, beans will start to create their own nitrogen – which is the most important nutrient plants require to make strong new growth.

### Sowing Seeds

- Seed Depth: 1" (2.5 cm), 6-8 seeds per hill
- Germination soil temperature: 75-85°F (24-29°C)
- Days for Germination: 7-10
- Sow outdoors: When soil temperature reaches 60°F (16°C)

### Growing

- Watering: Low at planting, medium at flowering and then heavy through harvest.
- Light: Full Sun
- Nutrient requirements: N=low, P=moderate, K=moderate.

### Rotation and Companion Planting

- Good companions: Carrot, cauliflower, chard, celery, corn, cucumber, eggplant, marigold, pea, radish, rosemary.
- Bad companions: Basil, beet, cabbage, fennel, kohlrabi, onion family, radish and sunflower.

