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Beets are vegetables commonly called beet roots. These are one of the well known root vegetable and are used in many recipes across the world.

Beets have essential plant compounds, vitamins and minerals in them. Some of the beet varieties have medicinal properties, good taste and can be added in your diet. You can use any type of container to grow your beets. Make sure that it has a good number of drainage holes and the depth of the container is at least 8 inches. Beets can be grown in complete to partial sun but for the best growth you can select a place which receives full sun at least six hours in a day.

Type of soil

Beetroot gardening soil is penetrable loamy and helps in growing large roots making it the best one for growing beets in container. Always ensure the soil is rich in content of nutrients.

Adding a large amount of compost to your soil is also good but ensure that you are not adding stones and pebbles to the soil. If you do not want your beetroots to be hard, make sure that you are watering them on a regular basis in an even manner to maintain the soil in a moist way all day.

Temperature

The best temperature required for the growth of beets in container is 10 degrees celsius. Beets can also grow in temperatures as low as 5 degrees and as high as 35 degrees but with a lot of difficulty.

When growing beets in containers, you will not have much problem with pest and diseases. You can avoid the problem with pests by avoiding too much watering or overhead watering. The most common problems are scab and root rot.

Harvesting

Beets will need an average time of 8 weeks to get ready for harvesting after the process of germination.

You can also have an option to harvest the beet green for making use in salads. The leaves which are tender will have a delicious taste. You can harvest the beet greens when the leaves are just tiny by removing the outer leaves and leaving behind the inner foliage for a later harvest.