Dill

Today on Gardening in a Minute: dill.

Often found in Florida gardens, dill is an herb with lots of uses. It is a feathery fern-like annual with deep green leaves that grows two to three feet tall.

Its leaves have a crisp, clean grassy taste, while the tan flat dill seeds have a stronger and more pungent favor similar to that of anise and celery.

September through December is the best planting time, but dill gives good results when planted in February and March. Plant the variety ‘Long Island Mammoth’ for best results in Florida.

Fresh dill can be kept in a plastic bag in the refrigerator for a few days. Or, it can be dried and stored in an airtight container for up to six months.

Spice up your life by planting dill!

For more information about dill and many other gardening topics, contact your county extension office or visit Gardening in a Minute dot com.

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