

## COWPEA



*Vigna unguiculata* (L.) Walp.

Variety m-66

Origin; selection from local landrace collected from Machakos District of Eastern, Kenya.

Characteristics

It is a bushy semi- spreading plant with an indetermined growth habit.

A dual purpose variety (for seed and leaves use)

Dark green leaves and medium in size.

Spacing should be 60cm x20cm

Flowers in 55 to 60 days and matures from 80 to 90 days

Purple blue flowers with a white corolla

Peduncles measure 20-40 cm long

The pods are green when young and turn bright red during grain filling stages and brown purple when dry. The pods contain 16 smooth creamy brown seed having a small eye and weighing 12.5 g per 100 seeds.

The grain yield is 1100 -1700 kg per Ha

It is resistant to yellow mottle virus and moderately resistant to leaf spot powdery mildew and is tolerant to scab.

It has some tolerance to aphids and thrips

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