

You Can Offer Sanctuary to Zapatista Corn!

Sow the seeds of resistance and join the growing movement against transgenic contamination of Mayan corn in Chiapas, Mexico!

By planting Zapatista corn, you become a part of a global effort to preserve a vital genetic heritage that has evolved over thousands of years. You can plant these powerful Zapatista corn seeds in your community, farm, home, school, or family gardens. As a decorative plant it grows well in large pots or small plots. We urge you to invite your friends and family to collectively prepare the soil, to come together to plant the Zapatista seed, and perhaps you all can organize a larger sanctuary harvest party in the fall to eat great corn while celebrating the Mayan peoples of the Mexican southeast and the Zapatista struggle for another world where all worlds fit!

These seeds have been donated by Zapatista farmers who hope and pray that people of conscience around the world will provide respectful sanctuary for this living part of their cultural heritage. Despite massive importation from the USA of corn carrying genetic modifications, the autonomous Mayan communities in Chiapas are dedicated to keeping their corn pure and natural. Because of the significance of this seed to today's living Mayan cultures, individuals wishing to grow this Mayan corn will be asked to sign a pledge to never allow this corn to be used for commercial purposes.

Offering Sanctuary to a Mayan Birthright

GMO-free corn seed is made available to people-of-conscience by the autonomous, indigenous Zapatista communities of Chiapas, Mexico in cooperation with Schools for Chiapas in order to promote friendship, solidarity, and understanding with the Mayan peoples of Chiapas. This corn distribution helps provide sanctuary for the natural corns of Chiapas through the programs entitled **"Mother Seeds in Resistance from the Lands of Chiapas"**. We understand that most growers will cultivate this corn for personal consumption, however we hope that some growers will work to produce pure lines of seed, free of all forms of genetic contamination for future return to the indigenous communities of Chiapas.

Zapatista Corn Seed is available under the following terms:

1. Growers agree to never patent nor abuse in any way the genetic material and life force provided by "Mother Seeds in Resistance from the Lands of Chiapas".

2. Growers agree to donate when possible to help cover costs of the Mother Seeds program; especially to help purchase field testing kits to investigate genetic contamination in Chiapas. Each kit costs about \$6.50 US and the suggested donation is one field test kit per package of seed.

3. Growers agree that "Mother Seeds" and their descendants will be grown and consumed in solidarity by trusted friends and family of the original grower.

4. Growers will provide pictures and / or written descriptions of the planting, growing, harvesting, storage, and consumption process of these seeds sent via email to info@schoolsforchiapas.org throughout the growing season as possible.

Semillas Madre en Resistencia / Mother Seeds in Resistance

Nombre / Name

Fecha / Date

Dirección / address

Cuidad / City and Zip Code

Teléfono / Phone(s)

Correo / Email(s)

Signature:

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