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How much to plant: Each plant bears about two ears, so a dozen stalks per person will yield enough for a season of memorable meals. Plant early, middle, and late varieties, so your crop doesn't ripen all at once.

Where and when to sow: Choose a sunny site with rich soil. In late spring, when soil has warmed to 60°F and is no longer soggy, sow seeds one inch deep, about six inches apart. To encourage good pollination, sow in squares of short rows two feet apart instead of in long rows. If you grow supersweet hybrids, prevent cross-pollination by planting blocks 25 feet or more apart (or staggering sowing dates).

Keep bugs at bay: Remove spent stalks promptly, and rotate crops annually. Weed early, and mulch to retain moisture. Pest-resistant varieties include 'Serendipity', 'Ambrosia', and 'Silver King'.

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