



HARTS OF STUR



Simpson's Seeds
and plants

Chilli Plant Competition 2026

Judging takes place live on Saturday 1st August @ 3.30pm

Chilli Plant Competition:

CLASS 1 – ROOSTER SPUR variety (*Capsicum Annuum*) chilli plant

Plants to be grown in maximum 5 litre pots. Only one plant per pot, seed grown this year. Seeds can be bought from www.seaspringseeds.co.uk

CLASS 2 - OPEN COMPETITION

This competition is open to any chilli variety. The plant must have been sown this year. One plant per pot, any size pot.

How to enter:

- Bring your plant with you to the Great Dorset Chilli Festival on Saturday 1st August 2026. There is no need to notify us in advance that you will be entering the competition. You will need to buy a ticket to enter the festival, but there is no entry fee for the competition.
- Once onsite, take your plant to the Event HQ to be signed in.
- Take your plant to the Competition Tent and enjoy the festival.

Judging:

The Competition is on Saturday 1st August. Entries must be in by 1.00pm. Judging is at 3.30pm. Plants will be judged on their health, appearance and yield. Judging is by respected chilli grower Matt Simpson of Simpson's Seeds. You may remove your plant after judging, but if you don't want it back it will be rehomed in my greenhouse.

Prizes:

The winner of each class will receive a £50 voucher for **Harts of Stur** and rosette. Rosettes will also be awarded to 2nd and 3rd. Winners please collect your prize from the event HQ in the PA trailer near the cider tent.

Rules:

1. You may enter one plant only per class.
2. Pot-grown plants only. No hydroponics please.
3. The Judges' decision is final

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