



# CHERRY KUSH

By Hanzo Gardens

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Noe of Hanzo Gardens out of Eastern Washington has been hitting the PNW with some seriously heavy hash terps for over twenty years. Most recently, he's become known for his Cherry Kush – a cut of Cherry Pie x Durban Poison that was gifted from a friend in the Bay area a little over a year ago.

During flower, Cherry Kush grows green with a slight strawberry-red hue and hints of deep purple. Extremely frosty with a “staircase effect” of stacked colas, she dumps for hash at over 4% consistently. Noe fell head over heels for her nostalgic terp profile and super sedative effects, and she’s been a staple in his garden and a winner around the competition circuit ever since.

Cherry Kush rosin took home Captain’s Choice by Mothership Glass ringleader Scott Deppe and Artist’s Choice from JP Toro, the mastermind behind the Terp Slurper, at Legends of Hashish II in LA. She also won sixth place in the Melts category of Melting of the Heads NYC and an award at

the 2022 Mothership Class 4/20 Competition out in Bellingham, Washington.

Opening the jar, it’s not hard to see why hash heads from coast to coast are all about the Cherry Kush. I immediately get hit with an intoxicating aroma of mushroom and gas that Noe says can only be described as “raunchy.” He goes on to tell me, “I was chasing the style of terps that were around my area when I was growing up in Eastern Washington...gas, funk, and that gnarly petroleum jet fuel.” When it comes to first flavor impressions, I personally get a taste reminiscent of amaretto cherries – bitter and earthy with a slight fruity nuttiness. These complex notes combine to create that highly sought-after umami terp that lingers on the tongue long after a dab. I’d say Noe hit the nail on the head with his hunt, finding a pheno with very little sweetness until she’s smoked. While the smell and inhale are all gas no brakes, a bit of that classic doughy pie terp we all know and love does finally come creeping through on the exhale. Truly the cherry on top... 🍒

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