



Tumbler Tomato\* Solanum lycopersicum 'Tumbler'

Height: 18 inches Spread: 3 feet Spacing: 24 inches Sunlight: **O** Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Cherry/Grape-Determinate

## **Description:**

A beautiful variety ideal for hanging baskets and patio containers; mounded habit with trailing vines are full of bright red cherry tomatoes; delicious and flavorful, great in lunchboxes or blistered and added to pastas; early maturing and high yielding



Tumbler Tomato fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

## **Edible Qualities**

Tumbler Tomato is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities, although it does have ornamental merits as well. It produces small clusters of red round tomatoes (which are technically 'berries') with red flesh which are usually ready for picking from mid summer to early fall. This is a determinate variety, which means it bears a full crop all at once. The tomatoes have a sweet taste with a juicy texture and a distinctive fragrance.

The tomatoes are most often used in the following ways:

- Fresh Eating
- Eating When Cooked/Prepared
- Cooking
- Pickling
- Canning

## **Planting & Growing**

Tumbler Tomato will grow to be about 18 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 3 feet. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 24 inches apart. This fast-growing vegetable plant is an annual, which means that it will grow for one season in your garden and then die after producing a crop.

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This plant can be integrated into a landscape or flower garden by creative gardeners, but is usually grown in a designated vegetable garden. It should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. This plant is a heavy feeder that requires frequent fertilizing throughout the growing season to perform at its best. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Tumbler Tomato is a good choice for the vegetable garden, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing the canvas against which the thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.

\* This is a 'special order' plant - contact store for details