



Black Cherry CHERRY TOMATO *Solanum lycopersicum*

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Provide support (trellises or tall cages) for healthier plants and easier harvest.

Culture: Sow indoors in shallow pots or flats in early spring, 6 weeks before average last frost. Keep the seedlings at 75–85°F during the day, 50–60°F at night. Transplant to 3 in. pots when 3–4 true leaves develop. Harden off and transplant to the garden after average last frost. Protect the seedlings with covers if frost threatens! Apply thick organic mulch. Provide fertile, well-drained soil rich in phosphorous and even moisture. Days to maturity are from transplanting.

Harvest: Tomatoes are ripe after turning color. Harvest frequently to promote production. Store over 50°F; refrigeration diminishes the flavor.

Seed Savers:

To save seeds for home planting, isolate from other tomatoes by at least 35 ft.

Soil
Temp.
60–85°F

Sowing
Depth
¼"

Final Plant
Spacing
24–48"

Final Row
Spacing
36–48"

Light
Full Sun

Days to
Emerge
7–14

Southern Exposure
Seed Exchange

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