



## Tumbling Tom Yellow Tomato Solanum lycopersicum 'Tumbling Tom

Height: 12 inches Spread: 12 inches Spacing: 6 inches

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Cherry/Grape-Determinate



Sunlight: 0

Known for high yields of fruit, this cascading variety produces beautiful clusters of lemon yellow cherry tomatoes; sweet flavor that is perfect for salads, snacking, and pickling; leaves and roots are toxic; perfect for containers and hanging baskets



Tumbling Tom Yellow Tomato fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

## **Edible Qualities**

Tumbling Tom Yellow Tomato is an annual vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities, although it does have ornamental merits as well. It produces small clusters of yellow round tomatoes (which are technically 'berries') with yellow 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**

Tumbling Tom Yellow Tomato will grow to be about 12 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 12 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 6 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.



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. 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, and it is considered by many to be an heirloom variety.

Tumbling Tom Yellow 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 larger 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.