



## Husky Tomato Solanum lycopersicum 'Husky'

Height: 24 inches Spread: 24 inches Spacing: 3 feet

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Cherry/Grape-Indeterminate

## **Description:**

A disease resistant, compact variety, perfect for sunny patio containers or small gardens; producing round red cherry tomatoes on strong indeterminate vines; sweet with rich tomato flavor, great for salads, roasting, snacking



Husky Tomato fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

## **Edible Qualities**

Husky Tomato is an annual vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities. It produces small red round tomatoes (which are technically 'berries') with red flesh which are usually ready for picking from mid summer to early fall. This is an indeterminate variety, which means it produces fruit throughout the growing season. The tomatoes have a delicious taste and a juicy texture.

The tomatoes are most often used in the following ways:

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

## **Planting & Growing**

Husky Tomato will grow to be about 24 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 3 feet 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 difficult to integrate into a landscape or flower garden, and is best 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 may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is somewhat tolerant of urban pollution. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone over the growing season to conserve soil moisture. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America.

Husky Tomato is a good choice for the vegetable garden, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It can be used either as 'filler' or as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, depending on the height and form of the other plants used in the container planting. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.