# Little Sicily Tomato

***Solanum lycopersicum 'Little Sicily'***



*Little Sicily Tomato fruit*
*Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder*

Height: 24 inches

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 3 feet

Sunlight:

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Slicer-Determinate

**Description:**

A perfect compact mounded, slicer variety for patio containers or small gardens; producing medium sized, round red fruit all season long; well balanced flavor, great for salads, sandwiches, roasting, grilled or eaten fresh

**Edible Qualities**

Little Sicily Tomato is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities. It produces red round tomatoes (which are technically 'berries') with red flesh which are usually ready for picking from mid to late summer. This is a determinate variety, which means it bears a full crop all at once. The tomatoes have a pleasant taste and a juicy texture.



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The tomatoes are most often used in the following ways:

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

**Planting & Growing**

Little Sicily 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.

Little Sicily Tomato is a good choice for the vegetable garden, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor containers and hanging baskets. 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.