# **Tagawa Greenhouse**

### **Mountain Magic Tomato**

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Mountain Magic Tomato Solanum lycopersicum 'Mountain Magic'

Height: 5 feet

Spread: 24 inches

Spacing: 24 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

Group/Class: Cherry/Grape-Indeterminate

### **Description:**

A superb Campari-type variety with wonderful disease and crack resistance; producing high yields of bright red, 2oz round fruit, slightly larger than a cherry tomato; deliciously sweet and juicy, perfect for eating fresh, adding to salads or add to pastas

#### **Edible Qualities**

Mountain Magic Tomato is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly 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 early to late summer. This is an indeterminate variety, which means it produces fruit throughout the growing season. The tomatoes have a sweet taste and a juicy texture.

The tomatoes are most often used in the following ways:

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

#### **Planting & Growing**

Mountain Magic Tomato will grow to be about 5 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 24 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 24 inches apart. Because of its vigorous growth habit, it may require staking or supplemental support. 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.



Mountain Magic Tomato fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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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 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.

Mountain Magic Tomato is a good choice for the vegetable garden, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. With its upright habit of growth, it is best suited for use as a 'thriller' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination; plant it near the center of the pot, surrounded by smaller plants and those that spill over the edges. 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.