

Container Gardening - Tomatoes

Some suitable tomato varieties for container gardening:

Black Krim
Brandywine
Patio
Sungold



Potatoes, chard, lettuce, peppers, eggplant, summer squash, pole beans, and herbs also work well in containers!

What you'll need:

A pot at least 14" x 14" -

The bigger the container, the better. Tomatoes have large root systems, and you want to plant them deeply. A large container will prevent the soil from drying out too quickly during the heat of the summer.

Potting soil -

Johnson's recommends Gardener's Gold, an all natural blend of 9 superior ingredients.

Tomato-tone -

A premium plant food formulated specifically for growing plump and juicy tomatoes. Ideal for use on all vegetables. Mix with soil when preparing pot, and twice monthly May - August.

Tomato cage -

Indeterminate tomatoes have a vining type habit that requires staking or caging.

Determinate varieties are more suitable for pots.

Full sun -

6 to 8 hours of sun during the spring and summer months.

Water regularly -

Containers dry out more quickly than regular garden beds.

It is best to match plants that have a similar need for water and fertilizer -

Good companion plants:

- * beans, carrots, squash
- * eggplant, beans
- * tomatoes, basil, onions
- * lettuce, herbs
- * spinach, chard, onions

Combinations to avoid:

- * beans with onions and garlic
- * carrots with dill or fennel
- * tomatoes or squash with potatoes
- * onions with beans and peas

