

Sweet 100 Tomato

There are lot's of cherry tomatoes but this one get's my vote.

It is important for children to have daily reminders...repetition, which is what this tomato plant is all about. Just one plant guarantees that **every single day all summer long** every child in your family/neighborhood can just wander by and pick one of the best tasting tomatoes ever. There are a lot of imitators, cherry tomatoes called sweet one million or sweet 1000, or super fantastic cherry tomato but they are just imitators. Sweet 100 is by far the best... at least that is one man's opinion.



I planted one of these in front of the house and one tendril of one plant was 24' long without fertilizer. That means a well cared for plant could reach over 50' across...more than long enough to cover a trellis. Like all tomatoes they grow best with some sort of wire or wood support to hold the fruit off the ground. They also like to be fertilized...almost any fertilizer except the high nitrogen kind used for lawns will work very well. The only problem is that the plants may be hard to find in your area. If so purchase seed and grow your own (same instructions as for "Sensitive Plant" OR get a different variety of tomato plant locally. Early Girl is not the largest tomato but it is among the most dependable. The plant grows well in a tire garden but only if you are able to spade up the soil ten or so inches deep underneath the tire.

If you have never grown tomatoes before there should be little problem with disease...the most common of which is Fusarian Wilt, the lower leaves turn brown and the plant wilts. This can be kept at a minimum when your plant displays it's first bloom, cut off all the leaves BELOW the bloom. Tomatoes come in all sizes, colors and varieties.

Looking at seed catalogues with your children can be a lot of fun especially in the month of January when it is so cold and you can't get outside. One of our favorite catalogues is "Totally Tomatoes" but we actually receive catalogues from nearly 30 companies.

The Bible lesson is that God wants us to enjoy Bible verses the same way we enjoy sweet 100 tomatoes...one a day every day of the year. We hope you visit

www.biblehome.org and www.bibleparent.com. We offer the same verses for the sweet 100 tomato as those for summer squash, verses on investing and harvesting: Psalm 92:13, 1 Corinthians 3:7, Luke 13:18-19, Luke 8:7, Mark 4:29-32, Matthew 15:13