# GrowerFacts

## Tomato Topsy Tom F<sub>1</sub>

(Solanum lycopersicum)

Vegetables Culture (revised 02/25/20)

- Perfect for "upside down" and traditional planters.
- Compact/mounded.
- Pliable stems ship well, hold abundant fruit, won't break in wind.
- Continues to put out branches with many trusses of split-resistant, sweet fruit.

#### **General Information**

Exposure	Bloom Season	Height	Spread	Spacing
Sun	Summer, Late Summer	12-18 in. (30-46 cm)	36-60 in. (91-152 cm)	

### **Germination**

Seed Form	Recommended Plug Size	Seeds/Cell	Plug Crop Weeks	Days from 50% to maximum germination	Initial Media pH/EC (1:2)	Cover Seed
RAW	288	1	3-4	2-3	5.5-5.8 pH 0.5 mmhos/cm	Light cover

## **Plug Production**

	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4
Moisture	Level 4	Level 3-4	Level 2-3	Level 2-3
Temperature	70-75°F (21-24°C)	68-72°F (20-22°C)	68-72°F (20-22°C)	65-68°F (18-20°C)
Light	Optional	1,000-2,500 f.c. (10,800-26,900 Lux)	1,000-2,500 f.c. (10,800-26,900 Lux)	2,500-5,000 f.c. (26,900-53,800 Lux)
Fertiliser	Less than 100 ppm N (Less than 0.7 EC)	Less than 100 ppm N (Less than 0.7 EC)	Less than 100 ppm N (Less than 0.7 EC)	Less than 100 ppm N (Less than 0.7 EC)

#### **Fertiliser Notation**

Tomatoes are very sensitive to high salts, particularly high ammonium, during germination. Keep ammonium level to less than 10 ppm.

#### **Propagation Key Tips**

Height can be controlled by withholding fertilizer, avoiding overwatering, growing under high light conditions and using DIF when possible. Topsy Tom is naturally compact and should not need PGRs.

## **Growing on to Finish**

Growing on Temperature	Target Media pH/EC (1:2)	Fertiliser	Daylength
(day) 65-70°F (18-21°C)	5.5-6.2 pH	Less than 100 ppm N	-
(night) 62-65°F (17-18°C)	0.75-1.0 mmhos/cm	(Less than 0.7 EC)	

#### **Days to Ripe Fruit**

50-55

## **Crop Scheduling**

Container Size	Plugs/Pot	Crop Time	Season	PGR
Cell Pack	1 (ppp)	2-4 (weeks)	Spring	-
4"/4.5"/Quart/10 cm	1 (ppp)	2-4 (weeks)	Spring	-
5"/6"/1 Gallon/15 cm	1 (ppp)	4-6 (weeks)	Spring	-
12" Pot or HB/5 Gallon/30 cm	1 (ppp)	6-8 (weeks)	Late Spring	-

#### **Finishing Key Tips**

Superior variety for hanging baskets and patio planters. Performs well when grown upside-down.

NOTE: Growers should use the information presented here as guidelines only. PanAmerican Seed recommends that growers conduct a trial of products under their own conditions. Crop times will vary depending on the climate, location, time of year, and greenhouse environmental conditions. It is the responsibility of the grower to confirm the treatment is available in their region as well as read and follow all the current label directions relating to the products. Nothing herein shall be deemed a warranty or guaranty by PanAmerican Seed of any products listed herein. PanAmerican Seed's terms and conditions of sale shall apply to all products listed herein.

## **Variety Pictures**





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