

TOMATOES

1 SOW YOUR SEEDS

Sow seeds from late March to early April 1cm deep into seed tray inserts. Keep them warm in the greenhouse.

Transplant the seedlings into 9cm pots once they have two true leaves and are 20cm tall.

2 PLANTING OUT

Plant seedlings outside into beds in May when the first flowers open. Plant them at least 45cm apart from each other.

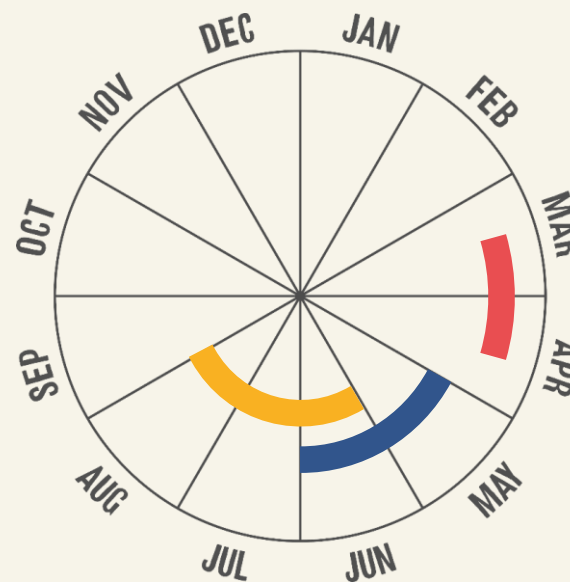
There are two types of tomatoes, bush and cordon. If you have cordon tomatoes they will need to be tied to a bamboo stake and side shoots need to be removed, so it can grow tall. Bush varieties will grow outward and do not need support.

Check your seed packet to see which type of tomato you have.

3 HARVESTING

Pick tomatoes when they are ripe and solid in colour.

Put unripe fruit in a cloche at the end of the growing season, or in a warm dark space to ripen.



Water your plants regularly. Irregular watering can lead to the fruit splitting. Avoid getting the leaves or fruit wet.

a liquid fertiliser (if you have a wormery, try using diluted worm tea).

Feed plants every two weeks with

