

# BIG BOY

## Tomato

Big Boy, with sweet, fragrant, red, smooth-skinned fruit that can weigh a pound or more, is one of the most popular tomatoes. Experts often list it amongst their top five all-time favorites. The plant form is indeterminate, but it is bush-like in habit, a strong grower and blessed with good disease resistance.



## NOTES

### VARIETY INFO

**Botanical Name:** *Solanum lycopersicum*

**Mature Spread:** 24" - 36"

**Days to Maturity:** 78

**Zone:** 3-10

### SOWING & GROWING

**Sow Outside:** Wait until the soil and air temperatures have warmed, after danger of frost has past. Big Boy tomato plants are tall, busy specimens. The vines can reach up to 5 ft in both height and spread, often becoming sprawling in the process. A stake or tomato cage is necessary to help control the spread and support healthy growth. Install one cage or stake per plant. Drive stakes at least 6 inches into ground.

**Start Inside:** Seedlings should be at least 6 weeks old before transplanting. Slowly harden off your seedlings. Take your time and don't rush the seedlings through this process.

**Days to Emerge:** 6 - 14 days.

**Seed Depth:** 0.25 - 0.5"

**Seed Spacing:** 24 to 36 "

**Row Spacing:** 3 to 4 feet apart

**Thinning:** Not necessary

### HARVESTING INFO

**Harvest:** "Big Boy" tomatoes are ripe and ready to harvest approximately 78 days after germination.

Unusually cold weather will delay ripening, while warmer weather can cause tomatoes to ripen faster on the vine.

**Fruit:** 16 to 32 oz