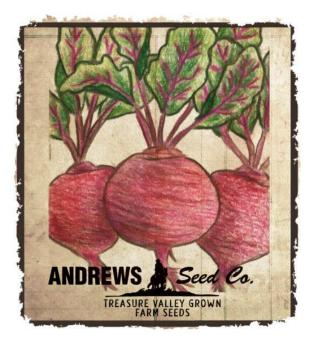
## **DETROIT DARK RED**

**Beet** 

Detroit Dark Red works double duty- providing premium quality roots, but they also have excellent greens used as a substitute for spinach. This variety dates all the way back to 1892, and is STILL a favorite! That definitely says something! It's great for fresh eating, canning, and pickling.



**NOTES** 

## **VARIETY INFO**

Botanical Name: Beta Vulgaris 'Detroit Dark Red'

Plant Height: 13" - 16"

Days to Maturity: 65

**Zone:** 3 - 9

## **SOWING INFO**

**Sow Outside:** Direct sow outside 4 weeks before the last expected frost. Soften the seeds by soaking them in water for 2 hours, then plant in full sun and well-drained soil. Succession planting every 2-3 weeks.

Start Inside: Not recommended.

Days to Emerge: 6 – 12 days

Seed Depth: 1/2" Seed Spacing: 1" Row Spacing: 12"

Thinning: Thin to 3-4 inches apart.

## **GROWING INFO**

Harvesting: Beets have the best taste and tenderness when they are harvested between 1" and 3" in diameter. After pulling them, twist off the tops about 1" up the stem to prevent the beets from bleeding. Detroit Dark Red beets keep well for later use. They also produce lovely green tops that mature in 40 days.

Fruit: Red. 3-inch diameter roots.