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Solanum lycopersicum

This vigorously growing, yellow cocktail tomato produces many small fruits in large clusters. The tasty and slightly pear-shaped, pointed fruits weigh usually around 20 g. The small Yellow Submarine is a potato leaf-like variety that can be cultivated outdoors or in a cold greenhouse. Most popular are, of course, tomato sauces and tomato soups, but also the use of big tomato chunks in vegetable and meat stews. Strained tomatoes make an ideal pizza topping. Moreover, tomatoes are the basic ingredient for many pasta casseroles, like Lasa

Natural location: Tomatoes originally came from South and Central America.

Cultivation: You may start seed propagation in mid March at a bright and warm place indoors. Spread the flat seeds about 2 cm apart from each other onto moist coconut substrate or organic herb substrate and cover them only slightly with earth. Keep your potting compost moist, but not wet – preferably by using a water sprayer for moistening. Cover the seed container with clear film to prevent the earth from drying out. Don't forget to make some holes in the clear film and take it every second or third day completely off for about 2 hours. That way you can avoid mold formation on your potting compost. Place the seed container somewhere bright and warm with a temperature between 20° and 24° Celsius. The first seedlings should come up after one or two weeks. Now, you can remove the cover and keep the sprouts in a somewhat cooler, but bright place without exposing them to the hot midday sun. As soon as the seedlings develop the second pair of leaves, you can prick out until the first pair of leaves, and plant the sprouts into small 10 cm pots with a bottom hole and filled with organic vegetable substrate. When they reach a height of approximately 10 cm, you need to support the plants with a small stick. In mid May and after the Ice Saints, the plants can be planted out at a sunny place in the garden with around 75 cm gaps between them, or you move them into tubs.

Place: A sunny place that is sheltered from the rain and wind would be ideal for cultivation.

Care: As the plants grow tall they will need strong supporting struts or tomato stakes. Water the plants evenly, but avoid water-logging. Pluck out the side-shoots between the stem and the base of the branches regularly. Since the rooting of the plants will develop strongly in the beginning, the visible sprouts grow rather slow initially. About 4 weeks and 8 weeks after planting out, you may provide the plant with some organic vegetable fertilizer.

During the winter: Sow again the following year.

Tomato plants belong to the nightshade family. Except for its ripe fruits all other parts of the plant are poisonous.

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