

Welcome to Abundant Seeds Cutecumber variety



Starters

Cucumbers are members of the cucurbitaceae family, which includes zucchini, pumpkins and melons. Like their relatives, cucumbers are heavy feeders—they require warmth, fertile soil and consistent moisture.



Location

A Sunny and warm area is best

Planting in a container



Your Cutecumbers need a large pot with plenty of soil, so they can develop extensive root systems to support vigorous growth and abundant crops. Choose a container that holds at least 20 litres of soil for each plant; a larger container is even better. Self-watering planters are especially good for cucumbers because they provide some insurance against drying out. Because of the built-in reservoir, self-watering planters don't dry out as quickly. You'll still need to monitor the moisture level, but you'll have more time between watering.

Use good quality potting soil.

Rich, healthy soil will keep your plants well-fed and retains more moisture than poor quality soil. Do not use ordinary garden soil, which does not drain well when used in a container.

Planting in a garden bed

If you are to plant in a row, direct sow the cucumber 2 x seeds in each hole in the soil. **Space each seed about 5cm apart and holes 50cm**. If you're going to plant more than one row, each row should be about 1.5 metres apart if you aren't trellising your plants. Thin your seedlings out once they've got a pair or two of leaves.

Don't plant too early.

Cukes are warm-weather plants. Don't plant outdoors until weather is hot – preferring min. night temp of 10C. To get a jump-start, you can start seeds indoors a couple weeks before putting them outside. Use <u>biodegradable pots</u> to prevent transplant shock. <u>Pop up covers</u> can also help extend the season.



Use a trellis.

Take advantage of the vining habit of Cutecumber and make use of vertical space . Even a tomato cage can serve as a trellis.



Feed your plants regularly.

Amend the soil with granular fertilizer at planting time and follow up with liquid fertilizer during the growing season.

Check the soil moisture.

The best way to keep container plants healthy? Develop a good watering sense. Always check the soil moisture with your finger before watering. If dry, water thoroughly. If wet, don't water again until the soil feels dry on top and remains slightly moist below the surface. Note: Plants use the most water during the day, when they're actively photosynthesizing and transpiring (releasing water from their foliage), so water in the morning, unless it's going to rain.



Finally

Pick and enjoy your snack size Cutecumbers regularly when they are about 10cm long ,sweet and crunchy and your plants will reward you with more. Remove old unwanted fruit from plant as this will reduce new fruits.



Happy growing!!