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## **Homemade Pickles Cucumber** Cucumis sativus 'Homemade Pickles'

Height: 10 inches Spread: 5 feet

Spacing: 12 inches

Sunlight: 0

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

### **Description:**

The perfect pickling variety for any garden or large container; produces high yields of medium green cucumbers that reach 6" long; delicious and crisp, perfect for making pickles all season long; best when grown on trellises and consistently harvested

#### **Edible Qualities**

Homemade Pickles Cucumber is an annual vegetable plant that is commonly grown for its edible qualities. It produces small dark green long cucumbers (which are technically 'berries') mottled with light green and light green flesh which can be harvested at any point. The cucumbers have a delicious taste and a crisp texture.

The cucumbers are most often used in the following ways:

- Fresh Eating
- Eating When Cooked/Prepared
- Pickling

### **Planting & Growing**

Homemade Pickles Cucumber will grow to be about 10 inches tall at maturity, with a spread of 5 feet. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 12 inches apart. This fast-growing vegetable plant is an annual, which means that it will grow for one season in your garden and then die after producing a crop.



Homemade Pickles Cucumber fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder



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This plant is typically grown in a designated vegetable garden. It should only be grown in full sunlight. It does best in average to evenly moist conditions, but will not tolerate standing water. It may require supplemental watering during periods of drought or extended heat. It is not particular as to soil pH, but grows best in rich soils. It is quite intolerant of urban pollution, therefore inner city or urban streetside plantings are best avoided. Consider applying a thick mulch around the root zone over the growing season to conserve soil moisture. This is a selected variety of a species not originally from North America, and it is considered by many to be an heirloom variety.

Homemade Pickles Cucumber is a good choice for the vegetable garden, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. It is often used as a 'filler' in the 'spiller-thriller-filler' container combination, providing the canvas against which the larger thriller plants stand out. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.