



Muncher Cucumber Cucumis sativus 'Mini Munch'

Height: 9 feet Spread: 18 inches Spacing: 24 inches

Sunlight: O

Hardiness Zone: (annual)

## **Description:**

A vigorous and productive variety that is superb when grown on trellises in gardens or large containers; best harvested around 4" long for its crunchy and delicious flavor; great for snacks or sliced into salads; tender skin and seedless



Muncher Cucumber fruit Photo courtesy of NetPS Plant Finder

## **Edible Qualities**

Muncher Cucumber is an annual vegetable plant that is typically grown for its edible qualities. It produces small green long cucumbers (which are technically 'berries') with 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**

Muncher Cucumber will grow to be about 9 feet tall at maturity, with a spread of 18 inches. When planted in rows, individual plants should be spaced approximately 24 inches apart. Because of its vigorous growth habit, it may require staking or supplemental support. 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.

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 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.

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Muncher Cucumber is a good choice for the vegetable garden, but it is also well-suited for use in outdoor pots and containers. Its large size and upright habit of growth lend it for use as a solitary accent, or in a composition surrounded by smaller plants around the base and those that spill over the edges. It is even sizeable enough that it can be grown alone in a suitable container. Note that when growing plants in outdoor containers and baskets, they may require more frequent waterings than they would in the yard or garden.