

# Radish Champion

*Raphanus sativus 'Champion'*

## At a Glance

Height: 4 to 6 inches tall

Root Type: Round, crisp red radishes

Days to Maturity: 25-30 days

Best For: Quick harvests, spring and fall planting

## Growing Conditions Quick Reference

Soil Temperature: 50-70F for best germination

Soil Type: Loose, well-drained soil

Light Requirements: Full sun to partial shade

Planting Depth: 1/2 inch deep

Seeding Rate: Thin to 2 inches apart

Moisture Needs: Keep evenly moist for crisp roots

Average Germination Time: 4-7 days

## How to Grow

When to Plant: Sow directly in early spring or late summer.

Location: Full sun for best results.

Spacing: Thin seedlings to 2 inches apart.

Watering: Moderate and consistent to avoid woody roots.

Fertilizer: Minimal needs; avoid high nitrogen which promotes leaves over roots.

## Tips for Success

Succession sow every 1-2 weeks for continuous harvests.

Loosen soil deeply for well-shaped roots.

Avoid hot weather to prevent bolting.

Harvest promptly for best flavor and texture.

## Fun Fact

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Radishes are one of the fastest-growing garden crops, often ready to eat in less than a month!

## Companion Planting

Pairs well with lettuce, carrots, and peas. Helps break up soil for slower-growing root crops.

## Harvesting and Use

Harvest when roots are about 1 inch in diameter for best flavor. Enjoy fresh in salads or as a crunchy snack.

## Quick Planting Checklist

- Sow directly outdoors in cool weather
- Thin seedlings to 2 inches apart
- Keep soil evenly moist
- Harvest promptly for best taste