Tomato, ‘Mountain Merit’ F₁, AAS Vegetable Regional Winner

‘Mountain Merit’ was judged by growers in the Heartland region as a superior tomato because it is such a nice all-around tomato, perfect for slicing and sandwiches. With a 4-5 week harvest window, these dark red fruits grow on a determinate, compact, uniform plant and offer superb disease resistance to multiple diseases common to home grown tomatoes.

AAS® Winner Data

Genus species: Solanum lycopersicum
Common name: Tomato
Unique qualities: Medium to large round beefsteak tomato with good, mild garden-tomato flavor. Good firm texture and taste. Great array of disease resistance.
Fruit size: 3-3½ inches, 10-12 ounces
Fruit shape: Round
Fruit color: Dark red exterior and interior
Plant type: Annual, determinate tomato
Plant height: 4-5 feet
Plant width: 2-3 feet
Garden location: Full sun
Garden spacing: 2 feet
Length of time to harvest: 75 days from transplant
Closest comparisons on market: ‘Mountain Magic’ F₁, ‘Defiant’ F₁ and ‘Fletcher’ F₁
Disease tolerances: Resistance to fusarium 123, verticillum, tomato spot wilt virus and late blight with moderate resistance to early blight and nematodes