

# Cucumber

Cucumber season lasts about 8 weeks in our climate. Enjoy every week of cucumber season by incorporating more of this crisp refreshing crop in your daily meals.

#### **VARIETIES**

We currently grow four varieties of cucumber: pickling, lemon, green slicer, and silver slicer.

### **STORAGE**

Store in a plastic bag in fridge 1-2 weeks. Peeled/sliced 5 days in covered container in fridge.

#### **PREP**

Peel and slice and store in the fridge for the perfect simple side dish for lunch and dinner, or for taking along on a hike or afternoon at the lake.

#### **BEYOND A SIDE DISH**

Cucumbers can go 'beyond' a side dish and take center stage as gazpacho, tzatziki sauce, savory yogurt bowl, cucumber sandwich, cucumber watermelon smoothies, cucumber-mint infused water, quick relish, spiralized 'noodles'. The season is short for cucumbers; it's fun to experiment with this delicious refreshing vegetable.

#### LITTLE EXTRA

Small amounts of extra cucumbers make an excellent petite batch of quick pickles.

#### **DEEP STORAGE**

It seems there can never be enough pickles in the fall and winter. Ferments, properly stored, will keep 3 months. Or get out your water bath canner for a year's supply of dilly pickles, relish, and more.

#### **CROP AVAILABILITY**

Early July - Mid September

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