

# Tomatoes and gripes

I am 60 years old. I don't usually start blog posts this way but as you will see, it is relevant.

Let me back up a little. I decided that I was going to blog about my cherry tomatoes. I planted them late this year because we returned from India at the end of May. Though it is October 5th, they are still producing, and I think that is amazing. Certainly blog-worthy.

Now, my blog has been kind of dull recently (I hear you snickering, kids). I haven't been posting much and I haven't gotten a whole lot of hits. Talking to my daughter I decided I needed to keep up with things, keep swimming or die. Enter the words: instagram, twitter, pinterest, pingram.me, google plus, snapchat - I'm getting a head ache just writing this. So I decided to take some pictures of the tomatoes, post one on instagram, and then link it to my blog. Sounds good, right? Well, no! I took the pictures on my camera, and it turns out you can't upload pictures to instagram from a camera. No problem, thought I, I'll move the picture from the camera to the phone.

I am a former Windows user. I always believed that if it was a file on a digital device, I should be able to drag it anywhere. Apparently Apple does not believe in the freedom to drag. Well pooh on them, I managed to do it while we were in India - that is drag jpgs from my PC to my iPhone. Yes, it took some doing but I was able to do it - can't remember how but the maps on my iPhone are evidence that it is (or was) possible.

Not so fast! I recently got a new computer, a MacBook Pro. I like my MacBook Pro but I do not like the fact that I cannot seem to move jpgs from it to my iPhone. I tried using LightRoom, no dice. Nikon Transfer2, uh-uh. I even tried using iTunes but I have 666 pictures on my iPhone and I don't want to sync them all to my laptop. I created the iPhoto Library with a few pictures from my iPhone but still couldn't drag pictures from the iPhoto Library back to the phone. I am not interested in uploading them to the Cloud, as suggested by Apple, so they can be shared among my devices, the government and corporate Apple. I want to pick the pictures I choose to share.

The more I type, the madder I get. And now the part about my age. As soon as I think I understand something, it changes. Yesterday I couldn't find my calendar because Google moved its tab into this box with nine tiny boxes - what's with that? I think this is a conspiracy to make all of us more senior folks go crazy. And snapchat? The pictures disappear? And furthermore, every time I type snpachat autocorrect changes it to snap chat. This is definitely a conspiracy. (Stop and breathe)

Before I say something I really regret and before I alienate all of my younger readers (are you out there?) I better return to the tomatoes. They are delicious.

## Weeding Wild Suburbia

All About Gardening with California Native Plants

<http://www.weedingwildsuburbia.com>

---



Bowl of tomatoes. They are yummy and they are good for reducing stress.



Still producing tomatoes and flowers (10/5/13)

## Weeding Wild Suburbia

All About Gardening with California Native Plants

<http://www.weedingwildsuburbia.com>

---



On planting day (6/10/2013)



Planting day. I set up the automatic drip about a month later.

## Weeding Wild Suburbia

All About Gardening with California Native Plants

<http://www.weedingwildsuburbia.com>

---



Timer on autodrip. Works great!



Radish seedlings next to an emitter where a tomato plant used to be.