

Vegetable & Flower Planting Timetable and Seed Starting Plan

(All seeded, except for transplants labeled TP)

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Indoors

Outdoors

	Under Lights	In Cold Frame
Early February	Onions, leeks, geraniums	
Mid-March	Eggplants, peppers, tomatoes basil, parsley Verbena, petunias, impatiens, coleus, alyssum, lobelia	Broccoli, cauliflower, cabbage, Lettuce, spinach, mesclun, mache
Early April	Asters, zinnias, marigolds	In Garden Lettuce, spinach, arugula
Mid-April		Onion set, onion plants, seed potatoes, peas
Late April	Pak choi	Carrots, beets, chard, broccoli, cauliflower, cabbage (TP)
Early May	Squashes, melons, cucumbers, pumpkins	Leeks (TP)
Mid-May		Parsnips, parsley (TP) Beans, corn
Late May		Tomato (TP) pak choi (TP)
Early June	Brussels sprouts	Pepper, eggplant, basil, cucumber, melon, squash (all from TPs)
Mid-July		Brussels sprouts (TP) 2 nd crops—broccoli, beets, carrots, lettuce, pak choi
Early August		Kale, turnips 2 nd crop--spinach
Early October		Garlic, shallots, “walking” onions
Late October Early November		In Cold Frame Spinach, mache

YOUR SEED-STARTING PLAN

The Spring Frost-Free Date in My Garden is _____

CROP	WHEN TO START INSIDE	OPTIMUM SOIL TEMP. FOR GERMINATION (in F)	WEEKS FROM SOWING	SAFE TO SET OUT TIME (RELATIVE TO FROST-FREE DATE)	SETTING OUT DATE
<u>Basil</u>		70°	6	1 week after	
<u>Beets*</u>		55°- 60°	4-6	2 weeks before	
<u>Broccoli</u>		60°	4-6	2 weeks before	
<u>Cabbage</u>		60°	4-6	4 weeks before	
<u>Cauliflower</u>		60°	4-6	2 weeks before	
<u>Collards</u>		45°- 80°	4-6	4 weeks before	
<u>Cucumber</u>		70°- 80°	3-4	1 to 2 weeks after	
<u>Eggplant</u>		80°	8-10	2 to 3 weeks after	
<u>Kale</u>		60°	4-6	4 weeks before	
<u>Kohlrabi*</u>		80° (optimal)	4-6	4 weeks before	
<u>Lettuce</u>		55°- 75°	4-5	3 to 4 weeks before	
<u>Melons</u>		70°- 75°	3-4	2 weeks after	
<u>Mustard*</u>		45°- 70°	4-6	4 weeks before	
<u>Onions</u>		55°	6-8	4 weeks before	
<u>Parsley</u>		70°	9-10	2 to 3 weeks before	
<u>Peas*</u>		60°	3-4	6 to 8 weeks before	
<u>Peppers</u>		70°	6-14	2 weeks after	
<u>Pumpkins</u>		65°	3-4	2 weeks after	
<u>Spinach</u>		60°	4-6	3 to 6 weeks before	
<u>Squash</u>		65°	3-4	2 weeks after	
<u>Swiss chard</u>		55°- 60°	4-6	2 weeks before	
<u>Tomatoes</u>		70°	6-8	1 to 2 weeks after	

* These crops are usually direct seeded outdoors, but they can be started inside.