

VEGETABLE PLANTING DATES (REGIONS 1 - 3)

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Vegetable	Region 1 10 - 1000 feet Elevation	Region 2 1000-2000 feet Elevation	Region 3 2000 - 3000 feet Elevation
Asparagus	Oct. 1 - Feb. 1	Oct. 1 - Mar. 1	Oct. 1 - Mar. 1
Bean, bush	Feb. 1 - Mar. 1 Aug. 1 - Sept. 1	Feb. 15 - Mar. 15 July 25 - Aug. 15	Mar. 1 - Apr. 1 July 15 - Aug. 15
Bean, pole	Aug. 1 - Sept. 1	July 15 - Aug. 15	July 15 - Aug. 10
Bean, Lima	Feb. 1 - Mar. 1	Feb. 15 - Mar. 15	Mar. 1 - Apr. 1
Bean, edible soy	Mar. 1 - May 1	Mar. 15 - June 1	Apr. 1 - June 1
Beet	Sept. 15 - Mar. 1	Sept. 1 - Mar. 15	Aug. 25 - Apr. 1
Broccoli	Sept. 1 - Jan. 1	Sept. 1 - Dec. 1	July 25 - Aug. 1
Brussel Sprouts	Sept. 1 - Jan. 1	Sept. 1 - Dec. 1	Aug. 15 - Oct. 1
Cabbage (seed)	Sept. 1 - Nov. 20	Aug. 15 - Dec. 1	Aug. 1 - Dec. 1
Cabbage (plant)	Oct. 1 - Dec. 1	Sept. 15 - Jan. 1	Sept. 1 - Feb. 1
Cantaloupe	Dec. 1 - Apr. 10	Feb. 15 - Apr. 1	Mar. 15 - June 1
Carrot	July 15 - Aug. 15 Sept. 1 - Jan. 1	Sept. 1 - Mar. 1	Aug. 25 - Mar. 15
Cauliflower	same as cabbage	same as cabbage	same as cabbage
Celery	October 15	Aug. 15 - Oct. 15	Aug. 1 - Oct. 15
Chard	Sept. 1 - Jan. 1	Sept. 1 - Mar. 1	Aug. 15 - Apr. 1
Chinese Cabbage	Sept. 15 - Dec. 1	Sept. 1 - Jan. 1	Aug. 15 - Jan. 15
Collard	Sept. 15 - Dec. 1	Sept. 1 - Jan. 1	Sept. 1 - Jan. 15
Corn, sweet	Feb. 15 - Mar. 1 July 30 - Aug. 30	Feb. 15 - Mar. 15 July 20 - Aug. 20	Mar. 15 - Apr. 1 July 15 - Aug. 15
Corn, Mexican June		June 20 - July 20	July 1 - July 5
Cucumber	Dec. 1 - Apr. 1	Mar. 1 - Apr. 1 Aug. 15 - Sept. 15	Mar. 20 - May 15 Aug. 1 - Sept. 1
Eggplant	Jan. 15 - Apr. 1	Feb. 1 - Apr. 1	Apr. 1 - May 15
Endive	Sept. 1 - Dec. 1	Sept. 1 - Jan. 1	Sept. 1 - Feb. 1
Garlic	Sept. 1 - Dec. 1	Sept. 1 - Dec. 1	Sept. 1 - Jan. 1
Horseradish	not adapted	not adapted	Nov. 1 - Feb. 1

Kale	Sept. 1 - Dec. 1	Sept. 1 - Dec. 1	Aug. 15 - Feb. 15
Kohlrabi	Sept. 1 - Dec. 1	Sept. 1 - Dec. 1	Sept. 1 - Feb. 1
Leek	Sept. 15 - Dec. 15	Sept. 1 - Jan. 1	Sept. 1 - Jan. 15
Lettuce, head	Sept. 20 - Nov. 20	Sept. 1 - Jan. 1	Sept. 1 - Jan. 15
Lettuce, leaf	Sept. 20 - Jan. 1	Sept. 1 - Mar. 1	Aug. 20 - Apr. 1
Muskmelon	Dec. 1 - Apr. 10	Feb. 15 - Apr. 1 July 1 - Aug. 1	Apr. 1 - July 15
Mustard	Sept. 15 - Dec. 15	Sept. 1 - Jan. 1	Sept. 1 - Feb. 1
Okra	Mar. 1 - Apr. 15	Mar. 1 - June 1	Apr. 1 - June 15
Onion (green, bunch)	Sept. 15 - Jan. 15	Sept. 1 - Feb. 1	Aug. 15 - Feb. 1
Onion, dry (seeds)	Nov. 1 - Dec. 15	Oct. 15 - Jan. 1	Oct. 15 - Jan. 1
Onion, dry (sets)	Nov. 15 - Jan. 15	Nov. 1 - Feb. 1	Nov. 1 - Feb. 15
Parsley	Oct. 1 - Jan. 15	Sept. 1 - Jan. 1	Sept. 1 - Jan. 15
Parsnip	not adapted	Sept. 1 - Jan. 1	Sept. 1 - Jan. 15
Pea, fall	Sept. 10 - Sept. 20	Aug. 15 - Sept. 15	Aug. 15 - Sept. 15
Pea, spring	Jan. 20 - Feb. 15	Oct. 15 - Dec. 15	Feb. 1 - Mar. 15
Pepper (seed)	Nov. - Jan.	Feb. 1 - Mar. 1	Feb. 15 - Mar. 15
Pepper (plants)	Feb. 1 - Mar. 15	Mar. 1 - Apr. 1	Apr. 1 - June 1
Potato, Irish	Sept. 1 - Feb. 15	Feb. 1 - Mar. 15	Feb. 15 - May 1
Potato, sweet	Mar. 1 - June 20	Mar. 1 - June 1	May 1 - June 15
Pumpkin	July 15 - Aug. 15	July 1 - Aug. 1	Apr. 1 - July 15
Radish	Sept. 1 - Apr. 1	Sept. 1 - Apr. 15	Aug. 5 - May 1
Rhubarb	not adapted	not adapted	Oct. 1 - Mar. 1
Rutabaga	Sept. 15 - Feb. 1	Sept. 1 - Feb. 1	Aug. 20 - Mar. 1
Salsify	not adapted	not adapted	Oct. 1 - Dec. 1
Spinach	Sept. 15 - Feb. 1	Sept. 15 - Feb. 1	Aug. 20 - Mar. 1
Squash, summer	Dec. 15 - Apr. 10	Feb. 1 - May 1	Mar. 15 - July 15
Squash, winter	July 15 - Aug. 15	July 1 - 31	July 1 - 31
Tomato (seed)	Nov. - Jan.	Jan. 1 - Mar. 1	Jan. 10 - Feb. 15
Tomato (plants)	Jan. - Mar. 15	Feb. 15 - Mar. 15	Mar. 15 - Apr. 15

Turnip	Sept. 15 - Feb. 1	Sept. 15 - Feb. 1	Aug. 15 - Mar. 1
Watermelon	Dec. 15 - Apr. 1	Feb. 15 - Apr. 1	Mar. 15 - June 1

VEGETABLE PLANTING DATES (REGIONS 4 - 6)

Vegetable	Region 4 3000 - 4500 feet Elevation	Region 5 4500 - 6000 feet Elevation	Region 6 Above 6000 feet Elevation
Asparagus	Feb. 15 - Apr. 1	April 1 - 30	Apr. 15 - May 15
Bean, bush	Apr. 25 - July 15	May 15 - July 1	May 25 - June 15
Bean, pole	Apr. 25 - July 15	May 15 - July 1	May 25 - June 15
Bean, Lima	Apr. 25 - July 15	May 15 - July 1	May 25 - June 15
Bean, edible soy	May 15 - July 15	may 25 - July 1	not adapted
Beet	Mar. 1 - May 15	May 1 - July 15	May 15 - June 15
Broccoli	Apr. 15 - July 15	Apr. 1 - July 1	not adapted
Brussel Sprouts	July 1 - Aug. 1	June 1 - July 1	May 15 - June 15
Cabbage (seed)	Feb. 15 - Apr. 15	March 15	April 1
Cabbage (plant)	Mar. 15 - May 1 July 10 - Aug. 20	May 1 - June 1	May 15 - June 15
Cantaloupe	May 1 - June 20	May 15 - June 15	May 25 - June 10
Carrot	July 15 - Sept. 15 Mar. 1 - May 10	May 1 - July 15	May 15 - July 1
Cauliflower	same as cabbage	same as cabbage	same as cabbage
Celery	May 15 - June 20	June 15 - July 15	not adapted
Chard	July 15 - Sept. 15 Feb. 15 - Apr. 30	July 1 - Aug. 1 Mar. 1 - Apr. 10	
Chinese Cabbage	July 1 - Sept. 15	June 1 - July 15	May 15 - June 15
Collard	June 15 - Aug. 1	June 1 - July 15	May 15 - June 15
Corn, sweet	May 10 - July 15	May 25 - July 1	May 15 - July 1
Corn, Mexican June	May 10 - July 15	May 25 - June 15	June 1 - 10
Cucumber	May 10 - June 15	May 15 - June 15	not adapted
Eggplant	May 1 - June 15	May 15 - June 15	June 1 - 25
Endive	Feb. 1 - Apr. 1	Apr. 15 - June 15	May 15 - June 15
Garlic	Feb. 15 - Apr. 10	April (cloves)	not adapted
Horseradish	Feb. - Apr.	Feb. 15 - Mar. 15	April - May
Kale	Feb. 1 - Mar. 20 Aug. 1 - Sept. 15	Feb. 15 - Apr. 10	April - May
Kohlrabi	Feb 15 - Apr. 1	Apr. 15 - May 15	May 15 - June 1
Leek	Feb. 15 - Apr. 10	April	not adapted
Lettuce, head	Feb. 15 - Mar. 15 July 15 - Sept. 1	July 1 - Aug. 1	June
Lettuce, leaf	Mar. 1 - Apr. 15 July 15 - Sept. 1	Mar. 1 - Apr. 15 Aug. 1 - Sept. 15	May 1 - July 1
Muskmelon	May 10 - June 15	May 15 - June 15	not adapted
Mustard	Feb. 15 - July 15	Apr. 1 - July 1	April - May
Okra	May 10 - July 1	May 15 - June 15	June 1 - 10
Onion (green, bunch)	Feb. 15 - May 1	Apr. 15 - May 1	May

Onion, dry (seeds)	Nov. 1 - Dec. 15	Oct 15 - Jan. 1 Feb. 15 - Apr. 15	Oct. 15 - Jan. 1 April
Onion, dry (sets)	Jan. 15 - Mar. 15 Nov. 15 - Jan. 15	Nov. 1 - Feb. 1 Apr. 1 - 15	Nov. 1 - Feb. 15 Apr. 15 - June 1
Parsley	Feb. 15 - Apr. 15	Apr. 1 - 15	May
Parsnip	May 1 - June 15	Apr. 1 - May 20	April - May
Pea, fall	Mar. 1 - May 1		
Pea, spring	July 20 - Aug. 25	Feb. 15 - Apr. 15	May - June 1
Pepper (seed)	Feb. 1 - Mar. 15	Mar. 1 - Apr. 1	Apr. 1 - 15
Pepper (plants)	Feb. 15 - Mar. 30	May 10 - May 25	May 15 - June 1
Potato, Irish	May 10 - June 1	May 10 - June 1	May 15 - June 1
Potato, sweet	May 10 - 25	May 15 - 20	not adapted
Pumpkin	May 15 - July 1	May 20 - June 15	May 25 - June 10
Radish	Mar. 1 - May 15 July 15 - Sept. 15	Apr. 1 - June 15	May 15 - June 15
Rhubarb	Mar. 1 - Apr. 20	Mar. 1- Apr. 1	April
Rutabaga	Mar. 1 - Apr. 1	Apr. 1 - May 15	May 1 - June 1
Salsify	Mar. 15 - June 1	Apr. 1 - May 15	May 1 - June 1
Spinach	Feb. 15 - Apr. 15 July 15 - Aug. 15	Apr. 1 - May 15	May 1 - June 1
Squash, summer	May 10 - July 15	May 1 - July 1	May 15 - June 15
Squash, winter	May 10 - July 1	May 15 - July 1	May 15 - June 10
Tomato (seed)	Mar. 1 - Apr. 1	Mar. 1 - Apr. 1	Apr. 1 - 10
Tomato (plants)	May 1 - June 15	May 10 - June 1	May 25 - June 1-
Turnip	Mar. 1 - Apr. 15 Aug. 15 - Sept. 15	Apr. 1 - May 15	May 15 - June 1
Watermelon	May 10 June 25	May 1 - June 1	not adapted

Since these conditions should be avoided for many vegetables, they should be considered in planning the garden planting schedule.

At lower elevations two main planting periods are generally followed -- early spring period for warm-season vegetables and late summer to winter period for cool-season crops. In the higher elevations there is one main cropping period which is planted during the spring and early summer.

Table 10.11 gives suggested planting dates for different elevations. These guides are based on experience and observation, frost dates, hardiness and other characteristics of the vegetables. Find the zone closest to your situation and use these dates along with **your** experience to develop a vegetable planting program.