

# PLANTING CHART

Because different varieties have different days to maturity, be sure to check seed packets for specific planting information. For fall and winter harvesting, certain varieties such as 'Marathon' broccoli or 'Winter Density' lettuce offer extra cold-hardiness.

CROP	SPRING PLANTING DATE	SPRING COVER OPTIONS	AUTUMN PLANTING DATE	AUTUMN COVER OPTIONS
<b>Broccoli, cabbage, and cauliflower</b>	Direct-sow 8 weeks or transplant seedlings 6 weeks before the last spring frost date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poly</li> <li>• Row cover</li> </ul>	Direct-sow 12 weeks or transplant seedlings 10 weeks before the first fall frost date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shade cloth when sowing or transplanting in summer</li> <li>• Poly for autumn protection</li> </ul>
<b>Lettuce</b>	Direct-sow 8 to 10 weeks or transplant 6 to 8 weeks before the last spring frost date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poly</li> <li>• Row cover</li> </ul>	Direct-sow 6 to 8 weeks or transplant 4 to 6 weeks before the first fall frost date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shade cloth when sowing or transplanting in summer</li> <li>• Poly or row cover for autumn protection</li> </ul>
<b>Spinach and arugula</b>	Direct-sow 8 to 12 weeks before the last spring frost date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poly</li> <li>• Row cover</li> </ul>	Direct-sow 4 to 6 weeks before the first fall frost date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shade cloth when sowing or transplanting in summer</li> <li>• Poly or row cover for autumn protection</li> </ul>
<b>Tomatoes, peppers, and eggplant</b>	Transplant 2 weeks before the last spring frost date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poly</li> <li>• Row cover</li> </ul>	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poly or row cover to protect ripening fruits from frost</li> </ul>
<b>Squash and pumpkins</b>	Direct-sow or transplant 2 weeks before the last spring frost date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poly or row cover for frost protection</li> <li>• Insect barriers to protect against squash bugs</li> </ul> <i>Remove covers when flowers appear.</i>	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poly or row cover to protect ripening fruits from frost</li> </ul>
<b>Asian greens</b> (tatsoi, mizuna, pak choi, etc.)	Direct-sow 6 to 8 weeks before the last spring frost date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poly or row cover for frost protection</li> <li>• Lightweight row cover to protect against flea beetles</li> </ul>	Direct-sow 4 to 6 weeks before the first fall frost date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shade cloth after planting to boost germination</li> </ul> <i>Remove once seeds sprout.</i>
<b>Carrots</b>	Direct-sow 4 to 6 weeks before the last spring frost date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poly</li> <li>• Row cover</li> </ul>	Direct-sow 8 to 10 weeks before the first fall frost date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shade cloth after planting to boost germination</li> </ul> <i>Remove once seeds sprout.</i>
<b>Cucumbers</b>	Direct-sow or transplant 2 weeks before the last spring frost date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poly or row cover for frost protection</li> <li>• Insect barriers to protect against cucumber beetles</li> </ul> <i>Remove covers when flowers appear.</i>	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poly or row cover to protect ripening cucumbers from frost</li> </ul>
<b>Potatoes</b>	Plant seed potatoes 6 weeks before the last spring frost date.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Poly or row cover for frost protection</li> <li>• Insect barriers to protect against potato beetles</li> </ul> <i>Covers can be left in place until harvest.</i>	N/A	N/A