

Planting Calendar

For temperate/cool temperate
areas of Australia

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There is one card for every calendar month. The size is equivalent to a standard 3 x 5 inch systems filing card so you can either print directly onto thick card or print on paper and then glue to cards.

Frost Tender Vegetables

All varieties in **red and marked with ❄️** are frost tender. Tomatoes, capsicums and eggplants, in particular, should be grown as seedlings in a warm spot (cold frame or solarium) to get an early start.

Seeds of frost tender varieties can be sown one or two weeks before the last possible frost (if you are into gambling!) A plastic cloche covering the bed or row will also help extend the growing season.

Shade

Some vegetable seed will not germinate in hot weather. Shade is essential for the varieties marked in green.

All seedlings benefit from being under 50% shade cloth on hot, windy days and it is possible to extend the growing season for less heat tolerant varieties such as English Spinach by growing them under shade cloth in summer.

Planting Schedule

• Large Kitchen Gardens & CSAs

One planting once every month will suffice to give year round harvesting. However, if it is possible sow several varieties of the one vegetable to extend the picking dates.

• Restaurant Suppliers & Larger Scale Market Gardeners

Planting will have to be done more often. In the warmer months the smaller, fast growing crops such as lettuces, salad mix, radishes.... will have to be sown every 1–2 weeks to ensure consistent harvesting.

• Ensuring Plenty Of Salad Greens For Winter

In cold areas growth slows down to almost nothing in the middle of winter. To ensure continuous harvesting of greens it is important to 'plant EXTRA seeds' in the autumn months. This is indicated on the cards.

July		<i>Under 10 hrs of Daylight</i>
Grow Seedlings	Sow Straight Into Ground	
Broccoli–Winter Varieties Chinese Leafy Greens–Mizuna, Pak Choi, Senposai... Keeping Varieties Onions–Brown & Red	Mesclun Salad Mix	

August		<i>Back Over 10 hrs of Daylight</i>
Grow Seedlings	Sow Straight Into Ground	
Broccoli–Winter Varieties Celeriac Chinese Leafy Greens–Mizuna, Pak Choi, Senposai... Leeks	Coriander English Spinach Peas–Shelling Varieties, Snow & Sugar Snap Mesclun Salad Mix Radish	

September		
Grow Seedlings	Sow Straight Into Ground	
Broccoli (Winter Variety) Cabbage–Early Ball Heads, Sugar- loaf Capiscums Celeriac Chinese Leafy Greens–Mizuna, Pak Choi, Senposai... Eggplants Endive Leeks Lettuce–Cos, Salad Bowl Silverbeet Spring Onions	Beetroot Coriander English Spinach Mesclun Salad Mix Peas–Shelling, Snow &sugar Snap Peas Potatoes * Radish Rocket	

October		
Grow Seedlings	Sow Straight Into Ground	
Basil * Celeriac Celery Endive Leeks Lettuce–Cos, Salad Bowl/ Parsley Silverbeet Spring Onions Tomatoes *	Beetroot Coriander English Spinach Mesclun Salad Mix Potatoes * Radish Rocket	

November

Last Frost

Grow Seedlings	Sow Straight Into Ground
Basil Brussel Sprouts Cabbage--Savoy, Red Celeriac Celery Endive Leeks Lettuce--Cos, Salad Bowl, Head Radicchio Silverbeet Spring Onions	Beans * Beetroot Carrots Coriander * Cucumbers Melons Mesclun Salad Mix Parsnips Peas--Snow, Sugar Snap Potatoes * Pumpkins * Rocket * Squash * Sweetcorn *

December

Grow Seedlings	Sow Straight Into Ground
Basil * Broccoli Cabbage--Red, Ball Head Cauliflower Celeriac Endive, Radicchio, Scarola, Pan di Zucchero Kale Leeks Lettuce--Head Silverbeet Spring Onions	Beans * Beetroot Carrots Coriander * Cucumbers * Florence Fennel Mesclun Salad Mix Parsnips Peas--Snow, Sugar Snap Potatoes * Radish Rocket * Squash * Sweetcorn *

January

Grow Seedlings	Sow Straight Into Ground
Broccoli Cabbage--Ball Head Cauliflower Endive, Radicchio, Scarola, Pan di Zucchero Kale Leeks Lettuce--Heading Silverbeet Spring Onions	Beetroot Bush Beans * Carrots Coriander Florence Fennel Mesclun Salad Mix Parsnips Radish Rocket Sweetcorn *

February

Grow Seedlings	Sow Straight Into Ground
Broccoli--Late Types Cabbage--Winter Ball Heads Chinese Cabbages--All Types Including Heading Varieties (Bok Choi) Endive, Scarola, Pan di Zucchero Lettuce--Butterheads Spring Onions	Coriander English Spinach Florence Fennel Mesclun Salad Mix Oriental Turnips Rocket Swedes Turnips Radishes--Summer & Winter Types

March

Grow Seedlings	Sow Straight Into Ground
Cauliflower for Spring Endive—Plant EXTRA for winter Lettuces—Butterheads, Cos, Salad Bowl—Plant EXTRA for winter	Corn Salad English Spinach—Plant EXTRA for winter Florence Fennel Mesclun Salad Mix—Plant EXTRA for winter Oriental Turnips Rocket—Plant EXTRA for winter Winter Radishes

April

Grow Seedlings	Sow Straight Into Ground
Cauliflower for Spring Lettuces—Butterheads, Cos, Salad Bowl Onions—Early Flat White, Salad	Broad Beans Corn Salad English Spinach Garlic Mesclun Salad Mix—Plant EXTRA for winter Rocket—Plant EXTRA for winter Winter Green Manures

First Frost

May

<i>Go Under 10 hrs of Daylight</i>	
Grow Seedlings	Sow Straight Into Ground
Onions—Early Flat White, Salad	Broadbeans Mesclun Salad Mix—Under Cover Peas

June

<i>Under 10 hrs of Daylight</i>	
Grow Seedlings	Sow Straight Into Ground
Onions—Early Flat White, Salad	Mesclun Salad Mix—Under Cover