

Vegetable Planting Guide

Vegetable Types	Planting Depth / Inches	Distance Between Rows	Average Crop Height (ft)	Spring Planting Dates* North Central Texas	Fall Planting Dates* North Central Texas	Days to Crop Maturity	Average (Season) Days
Asparagus	8-12	48-60	5	Feb 1-Mar 1	Not Advised	700	60
Beans, Snap Bush	1-1 ½	24-36	1 ½	Mar 18-Apr 15	Aug 1-Sep 15	45-60	15
Beans, Snap Pole	1-1 ½	36-48	6-8	Mar 18-Apr 15	Jul 30-Aug 10	60-70	30
Beans, Lima Bush	1-1 ½	30-36	1 ½	Mar 18-Apr 15	Aug 15-Sep 15	65-80	15
Beans, Lima Pole	1-1 ½	36-48	6-8	Mar 18-Apr 15	Jul 25-Aug 15	75-85	40
Beets	1	12-24	1 ½	Feb 1-Feb 15	Sep 1-Oct 1	50-60	30
Broccoli	½	24-36	3	Feb 1-Feb 15	Aug 15-Sep 30	60-80	40
Brussel Sprouts	½	24-36	2	Feb 1-Feb 15	Aug 15-Sep 30	90-100	25
Cabbage	½	24-36	1 ½	Feb 1-Feb 15	Aug 15-Sep 30	60-90	40
Cabbage, Chinese	½	18-30	1 ½	Feb 1-Feb 15	Aug 10-Aug 30	65-70	25
Cantaloupe	1	48-96	1	Apr 5-May 1	Jul 30-Aug 10	85-100	20
Carrot	½	12-24	2	Feb 1-Feb 15	Sep 1-Sep 30	70-80	20
Cauliflower	½	24-36	3	Feb 1-Feb 15	Aug 15-Sep 20	70-90	15
Chard, Swiss	1	18-30	2	Feb 1-Mar 3	Aug 15-Sep 15	45-55	40
Cilantro	½	12-24	2	Feb 1-Apr 1	Sep 1-Sep 30	40-60	30
Collard (Kale)	½	18-36	2	Feb 1-Mar 3	Aug 25-Sep 20	50-80	60
Corn (Sweet)	½	24-36	6-8	Mar 15-Apr 30	Aug 10-Aug 2	70-90	15
Cucumber	½	48-72	1	Mar 18-Apr 30	Aug 25-Sep 10	50-70	30
Eggplant	½	24-36	3	Apr 1-Apr 30	Jul 30-Aug 25	80-90	90
Garlic	1-2	10-18	1	Jan 1-Feb 15	Sep 15-Oct 30	140-150	-
Kohlrabi	½	12-18	1 ½	Feb 1-Mar 10	Aug 15-Sep 20	55-75	15
Lettuce	½	12-24	1	Feb 1-Mar 31	Sep 1-Sep 30	40-80	25
Mustard	½	12-24	1 ½	Mar 18-Apr 30	Aug 15-Sep 30	30-40	30
Okra	1	24-36	5-7	Apr 1-Apr 30	Jul 1-Aug 25	55-65	90
Onion (Plants)	½ - 1	12-18	1 ½	Jan 1-Feb 15	Aug 15-Sep 15	80-120	40
Onion (Seed)	½	12-18	1 ½	Jan 1-Feb 15	Sep 1-Sep 20	90-120	40
Parsley	½	12-24	1 ½	Feb 1-Mar 15	Aug 15-Oct 10	70-90	90
Peas, English	2-3	18-36	2	Jan 20-Mar 3	Sep 15-Nov 1	55-90	10
Peas, Black-eyed	2-3	24-36	2 ½	Mar 30-Apr 30	Aug 15-Sep 1	60-70	30
Peppers	½	24-36	2-3	Mar 30-May 30	Jul 3-Aug 25	60-90	90
Potato, Irish	4	30-36	2	Feb 1-Feb 15	Jul 30-Aug 10	65-100	-
Potato, Sweet	3-5	36-48	1 ½	Apr 15-Jun 1	Not Advised	100-130	-
Pumpkin	1-2	48-96	1 ½	Mar 25-Apr 25	Aug 10-Aug 25	75-100	-
Radish	½	12-18	½	Feb 1-Apr 15	Sep 20-Nov 15	25-40	15
Spinach	½	12-18	1	Jan 20-Mar 10	Sep 15-Nov 1	40-60	40
Squash, Summer	1 - 2	24-60	2	Mar 25-Apr 15	Aug 1-Aug 30	50-60	40
Squash, Winter	1 - 2	48-78	1	Mar 25-Apr 15	Aug 10-Aug 30	85-100	-
Tomato (Transplant)	4-6	24-48	3 - 6	Mar 1-Apr 30	Jun 20-Jul 15	55-90	40

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Turnip, Greens	½	12-24	1 ½	Feb 1-Mar 10	Aug 25-Nov 1	30	40
Turnip, Roots	½	12-24	1 12	Feb 1-Mar 10	Aug 25-Nov 1	30-60	30
Watermelon	1 – 2	60-96	1	Mar 30-Apr 30	Jul 20-Aug 10	80-100	30

***Last average frost date March 18. First average frost date November 17.**

Spring Planting Times for North Central Texas

The numbers in parenthesis indicate minimum soil temperatures at which each vegetable should be planted to obtain optimum germination of seed and growth of transplants. Planting in soil that is too cool can lead to poor germination, seed rot, diseases and slow root and top growth of plants. For best results, plant during recommended dates, but only when soil temperatures reaches the point designated. The required temperature should be obtained on three consecutive mornings before the sun warms the soil. Proper temperature should be maintained to a depth of 6 to 8 inches. A kitchen thermometer (probe type – temperature range is 0 to 20 degrees) is the easiest, most available and least expensive product to use for this purpose. For more vegetable information, scan or click link:



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Dates	Vegetables from Seed (Soil Temperature)
2/01 – 2/25	Cabbage (55) Carrots (50) Onions (50) Potatoes (50) Beets (55)
2/10 – 3/01	Leeks (50) Peas (50) Chinese Cabbage (55)
2/10 – 3/10	Spinach (50) Swiss Chard (55) Collards (55) Turnips (60)
2/10 – 3/15	Lettuce (50) Parsley (55)
2/10 – 4/15	Radish (50)
3/18 – 4/15	Lima Beans (70)
3/18 – 4/20	Snap Beans (60) Cucumbers (60)
3/20 – 5/01	Sweet Corn (65) Mustard (65)
3/25 – 4/15	Squash (70)
3/25 – 5/01	Watermelon (70)
4/01 – 5/20	Black-eyed Peas (65) Cantaloupe (75)
4/05 – 5/01	Okra (75)
4/15 – 6/01	Sweet Potatoes (75)

Dates	Vegetables from Transplant (Soil Temperature)
1/10 – 2/25	Onions (45)
2/10 – 3/01	Broccoli (50) Kohlrabi (50) Cabbage (55) Chinese Cabbage (55)
3/01 – 4/30	Tomatoes (60)
3/21 – 5/01	Peppers (70) Eggplant (75)

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