



PLANT A VEGETABLE GARDEN

Getting Started

Site - Choose a location that will get as much sunlight as possible. Six or more hours of direct sun is needed for ideal growing.

SOIL Soil is critical and should not be overlooked. If planting in the ground, take the time and invest in resources to improve the existing soil quality. Adding organic matter like manure and Earl May Structure will pay dividends on better plant health and improved produce harvested.

WATER Locate a water source that will be convenient. While rainfall is important, supplemental watering to get plants or seeds started is essential. During the season thorough, deep watering will help your vegetables thrive and provide the results you want.

SELECTION Types of plants to grow is a personal choice. Choose from varieties that will provide early, mid, and late harvests. This will give you fresh produce to enjoy all season and spread out the tasks of tending the garden.

Where should you plant?

IN-GROUND Planting directly in the soil is best for larger plantings or with many different plant types. Be sure to remove all weeds and plants before starting to plant.

The direct soil method also allows planting in rows, such as green beans, lettuce, or peas.

IN POTS Planting in containers is a convenient method and allows portability and flexibility of location. Pots must have drainage holes and be large enough to support the plants.

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Plant Types & How To Plant Them

Direct Sow By Seed	Transplant Young Plants	Plant From Roots/Bulbs
Bean - <i>all types</i>	Broccoli - <i>early spring only</i>	Asparagus
Beet	Cabbage - <i>early spring only</i>	Garlic
Carrot	Cauliflower - <i>early spring only</i>	Onions
Corn	Cucumber	Potato
Cucumber	Eggplant	
Greens - <i>chard, mustard, collard</i>	Melon	
Lettuce	Pepper	
Peas	Squash	
Pumpkin	Tomato	
Radish		
Spinach		
Squash		
Turnip		

Growing Season Care

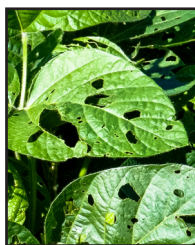
FERTILIZE Feed your plants to keep them healthy and strong. Granular Earl May Plant Food 10-10-10 or Earl May Water-Soluble Nutri Gro is best.



ELIMINATE WEEDS

Plants that don't belong in the garden or pots are weeds, and should be removed. Dig, cut, or pull them up to give your vegetable

plants the proper room to grow and nutrition they need.



PESTS Inspect plants for spots or discoloration of the foliage or for signs of anything chewing on the leaves. Consult your local

Earl May Garden Center expert for the proper solution to control.

The information provided is for general vegetable types.
For specific variety information, refer to the seed packet or plant tag.

Vegetable Planting Table				
VEGETABLE	Time To Plant In Open	Distance Apart In Row (inches)	Planting Depth (inches)	Rows Apart (inches)
Asparagus Seed	April 1 to 15	24	1 to 2	18 to 24
Bush Snap Beans	May 1 to August 5	3 to 6	1 to 2	24 to 30
Bush Lima Beans	May 15 to June 20	6 to 8	1 to 2	30
Pole Lima Beans	May 15 to June 20	12 to 18	1 to 2	30 to 36
Pole Beans	May 10 to July 20	18 to 24	1 to 2	30 to 36
Beets, Table	April to August	2 to 3	1	12 to 18
Beets, Stock	April to July	4 to 6	1	15 to 18
Cabbage	April to June	12 to 24	1/2	30
Cabbage Plants	April 1 to July 20	18 to 20	1/2	30 to 36
Carrots	April to July	2 to 3	1/2	12 to 18
Cauliflower	April to July	18 to 24	1/2	30 to 36
Celery	April 1 to May 10	24	1/8	12 to 30
Corn, Sweet	May 10 to July 10	14 to 36	1 to 2	30 to 36
Cucumber, o.p.*	May 15 to July	48 to 72	1	48
Eggplant Plants	May 20, 2019	18 to 24	1/2	30
Endive	April to August	8 to 10	1/2	30
Kohlrabi, o.p.*	April to July	6 to 8	1/2	12 to 18
Lettuce	April to September	1	1/4	12 to 18
Muskmelon, o.p.*	May 15 to June 15	48 to 72	1	48 to 72
Mustard	April to August	1 to 3	1/2	12 to 18
Onion Seed	Early As Possible	2 to 3	1/2 to 2	12 to 18
Onion Sets	March to July	2 to 3	1 to 2	12 to 18
Parsley	April and May	3 to 6	1/4	12 to 18
Parsnips	March and April	5 to 12	1/2	12 to 18
Peas	March and April	2	2	15 to 24
Pepper Plants	May 20	18 to 24	1/2	24 to 36
Potatoes, (eyes)	April to July	12 to 14	4	24 to 30
Potatoes, Sweet	May 15 to June	15 to 18	8 to 10	30 to 34
Pumpkins	May 20	72 to 86	1	96
Radish	April to September	2 to 3	1	12 to 18
Rutabaga	July and August	3 to 6	1	12 to 18
Salsify	April	3 to 5	1	12 to 18
Spinish	April, August, September	2 to 3	1	12 to 18
Swiss Chard	April to July	18 to 24	1	24 to 30
Squash	May 20	48	1 to 2	48 to 72
Tomato Seeds, o.p.*	May and June	24 to 48	1/2	36 to 48
Tomato Plants	May 10 to July 10	24 to 48	1/2	36 to 48
Turnips	April, August, September	3 to 4	1/2	12 to 18
Watermelon, o.p.*	May 20 to June 1	72 to 90	1	72 to 90