Planting Guide for the New York City Area



Dates of Importance

- Growing Season: April 1 November 30
- Most sand base soils dry out enough to plant April 1 15
- Most clay base soils dry out enough to plant May 1

Common Vegetables Grouped According to Approximate Planting Times in the New York City Area

Cold Hardy Plants for Early Spring Planting		Cold-Tender or Heat-Hardy Plants for Late Spring or Early Summer Planting		Hardy Plants for Late Summer or Fall Planting		
April 1 - 30	April 15 - 30	May 15 - June 15	June - July	July 15 - August 1	August 1 - 20	August 15 - Sept 1
*2 - 6 weeks before last frost in Spring	*2 - 4 weeks before last frost in Spring	*0 - 4 weeks after last Spring frost	planted for multiple successions	**12 - 14 weeks before first frost in Fall	**10 - 12 weeks before first frost in Fall	**8 - 10 weeks before first frost in Fall
Peas (S)	Cauliflower (T)	Beans, All (S)	Beans, All (S)	Beans, Bush (S)	Beans, Bush (S)	Kohlrabi (S)
Spinach (T, S)	Kohlrabi (S)	Okra (S)	Squash, Bush Summer Varieties (T, S)	Chard (S)	Kohlrabi (S)	Turnip Greens (S)
Leaf Lettuce (T, S)	Mustard (S)	Squash, All (T, S)	Dill (S)	Chinese Cabbage (T, S)	Mustard (S)	Mustard (T)
Broccoli (T)	Chard (S)	Cucumber (T, S)	Fennel (S)	Cabbage (T, S)	Cabbage (T)	Kale (S)
Cabbage (T)	Chives (S)	Melons (T, S)	Basil (T, S)	Collards (T, S)	Collards (T)	Leafy Greens (T, S)
Collards (T, S)	Cilantro (S)	Tomato (T)	Chard (S)	Cauliflower (T, S)	Leaf Lettuce (S)	Leaf Lettuce (T, S)
Kale (S)	Celery (T)	Eggplant (T)	N.Z. Spinach (S)	Broccoli (T, S)	Kale (S)	Spinach (T, S)
Turnip (S)	Parsley (T, S)	Peppers (T)	Heat Resistant Lettuce (T,S)	Brussels Sprouts (T)	Beet (S)	Beet (S)
Rutabaga (S)	Beet (S)	Basil (T, S)	Radish (S)	Parsley (T, S)	Carrot (S)	Radish (S)
Radish (S)	Carrot (S)	Potato		Fennel (S)	Turnip (S)	Cilantro (S)
Onion (Sets)	Parsnip (S)	Sweet Corn (S)		Dill (S)	Parsley (T)	
	Turnip (S)	N.Z. Spinach (S)		Radish (S)	Radish (S)	
	Onion (Sets)	Leek (T)		Carrot (S)		
		Dill (S)		Green Onion (Sets)		
		Fennel (S)				
		Cilantro (S)				
		Tomatillo (T, S)				
		Herbs (T)				
		Annual Flowers (T, S)				

(S) = Direct Seed; (T) = Transplant

* Last frost date in Spring is May 15

** First frost date in Fall is approximately October 20