



## SEED STARTING CHART

VEGETABLE	START SEEDS (WEEKS BEFORE/AFTER LAST SPRING FROST)	MINIMUM SOIL TEMPERATURE TO GERMINATE (FAHRENHEIT)	COLD HARDINESS	WHEN TO FERTILIZE
BEANS	ANYTIME AFTER FROST *OD	48-50	TENDER	AFTER HEAVY BLOOM/SET OF PODS
BEETS	3 BEFORE TO 3 AFTER *OD	39-41	HALF HARDY	AT TIME OF PLANTING
BROCCOLI	2-3 BEFORE *OD	55-75	HARDY	THREE WEEKS AFTER TRANSPLANTING
BRUSSEL SPROUTS	6-8 BEFORE *OD	55-75	HARDY	THREE WEEKS AFTER TRANSPLANTING
CABBAGE	6-8 BEFORE *OD	38-40	HARDY	THREE WEEKS AFTER TRANSPLANTING
CARROTS	3-5 BEFORE *OD	39-41	HALF HARDY	PREFERABLY FALL OR FOLLOWING SPRING
CAULIFLOWER	6-8 BEFORE *OD	65-75	HALF HARDY	THREE WEEKS AFTER TRANSPLANTING
CELERY	6-8 BEFORE *ID	60-70	TENDER AT TRANSPLANT	ONCE A WEEK
CORN	APPROX. APRIL 15 *OD	46-50	TENDER	WHEN 8-10 INCHES TALL, AT FIRST SILK, WHEN TASSELS APPEAR
CUCUMBERS	2-4 BEFORE *ID	65-70	VERY TENDER	ONE WEEK AFTER BLOOM, AGAIN 3 WEEKS LATER
LETTUCE	4-6 BEFORE *OD	40-75	HALF HARDY	2-3 WEEKS AFTER TRANSPLANTING
MELONS	2-4 BEFORE *ID	55-60	VERY TENDER	ONE WEEK AFTER BLOOM, AGAIN 3 WEEKS LATER
ONION SETS	4 BEFORE *OD	34-36	HARDY	WHEN BULBS SWELL, AGAIN WHEN 1 FOOT TALL

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PARSNIPS	0-3 BEFORE *OD	55-70	HARDY	ONE YEAR BEFORE PLANTING
PEAS	4-6 BEFORE *OD	34-36	HARDY	AFTER HEAVY BLOOM AND SET OF PODS
PEPPERS	8-10 BEFORE *ID	70-80	VERY TENDER	AFTER FIRST FRUIT SET
POTATO TUBERS	APPROX MARCH 17TH *OD	55-70	HALF HARDY	AT BLOOM TIME OR SECOND HILLING
PUMPKINS	2-4 BEFORE *ID	55-60	TENDER	JUST BEFORE VINES RUN, 1 FOOT TALL
RADISHES	1 BEFORE *OD	39-41	HARDY	BEFORE SPRING PLANTING
SPINACH	4-6 BEFORE *OD	55-65	HARDY	WHEN PLANTS ARE 1/3 GROWN
SUMMER SQUASH	2-4 BEFORE *ID	55-60	VERY TENDER	JUST BEFORE VINES RUN, 1 FOOT TALL
TOMATOES	6-8 BEFORE *ID	50-55	TENDER	LIGHTLY WHEN UP W/ 2 LEAVES, AFTER 4 REGULARLY

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