

VEGETABLE PLANTING AND HARVESTING TIMES

The range of dates provided are the time periods in which you could sow seed or plant transplant and have success. Some crops can be planted in succession (every 2 weeks for example) within that time frame. Other crops are simply planted at some point within that time frame.

If you do not wish to start your own transplants indoors from seed, purchase and plant transplants from the garden center within the dates shown for "Transplant Seedlings Outdoors"

The harvest dates are approximate based on planting on the earliest date listed and extending to the latest possible date.

Crops that are not planted in succession will be harvested within that time frame, not for the entire time frame.

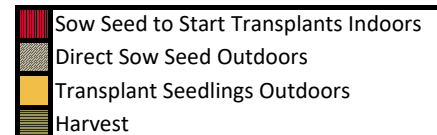
Crops planted in succession could have sustained harvest within that time period.

Dates listed are for Central Iowa.

Southern Iowa can shift the sowing, planting, and harvesting dates approximately one week earlier.

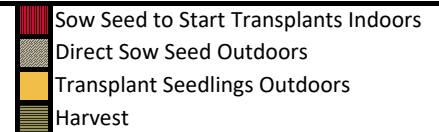
Northern Iowa can shift the dates approximately one week later.

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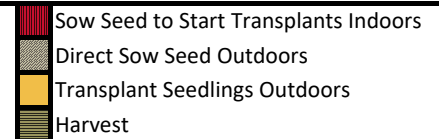
Crop	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov
Beans, Green/Snap/Wax/Pole										
Beans, Lima										
Beets <i>(stagger plantings every 4 wks)</i>										
Bok Choi										
Broccoli										
Brussels Sprouts										
Cabbage										
Cabbage, Chinese/Napa										
Cantaloupe										
Carrots <i>(stagger plantings every 3-4 wks)</i>										
Cauliflower										
Celeriac										
Collards										

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Corn, Pop										
Corn, Sweet (<i>Stagger plantings every 2 wks</i>)										
Cucumber										
Edamame										
Eggplant										
Garlic*										* see note below
Kale										
Kohlrabi										
Leek										
Lettuce, Baby Leaf & Salad Mixes (<i>Stagger plantings every 3-4 wks</i>)										
Lettuce, Head										
Melon, Honeydew										
Muskmelon										
Okra										
Onions, Dry										
Onions, Green/Scallions										
Parsnips **										** see note below
Peas										
Pepper										

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Potatoes			plant tuber pieces							
Potatoes, New			plant tuber pieces							
Pumpkin										
Radicchio/Escarole/Endive										
Radish <i>(stagger plantings every 7-10 days)</i>										
Radish, Winter/Diakon										
Rutabaga										
Salsify										
Shallots										
Spinach										
Squash, Summer										
Squash, Winter										
Sweet Potatoes										
Swiss Chard										
Tomatillos/Ground Cherry/Husk Cherry										
Tomato										
Tomato, Cherry										
Turnips										
Watermelon										

* Plant garlic cloves in fall for harvest the following year

** Parsnips can also be overwintered in garden and dug as soon as ground is workable in March