



# Vegetable Planting Chart

UCCE Master Gardener Program of Santa Clara County

**Recommended times to plant vegetables in Santa Clara County**

*See back side for additional information.*



————— When to transplant      ..... When to direct seed      ? Maybe (see notes)

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	From seed to transplant
<b>Artichoke</b>	Transplant									—————				12 weeks
<b>Arugula</b>	Transplant		—————				?		?	—————		?		4 weeks
	Direct seed		?	.....			?		.....			?		
<b>Asparagus</b>	Plant crowns	—————									—————		?	
<b>Basil</b>	Transplant				—————									6 weeks
<b>Beans</b>	Transplant				—————									3 weeks
	Direct seed				.....		?							
<b>Beets</b>	Transplant		—————				?			—————				6 weeks
	Direct seed		?	.....		?			.....		?			
<b>Bok choy</b>	Transplant		—————							—————				3 weeks
	Direct seed		.....							.....				
<b>Broccoli</b>	Transplant		—————						—————		?			6 weeks
<b>Brussels sprouts</b>	Transplant							—————		?				6 weeks
<b>Cabbage</b>	Transplant		—————						—————		?			6 weeks
	Transplant		—————						—————					3 weeks
<b>Cabbage, napa</b>	Transplant		—————						—————					
	Direct seed		.....						.....					
<b>Carrots</b>	Direct seed		.....			?				.....				
<b>Cauliflower</b>	Transplant		—————						?	—————	?			6 weeks
	Transplant		—————							—————				4 weeks
<b>Chard</b>	Transplant		—————							.....				
	Direct seed		.....											
<b>Chayote</b>	Plant fruit			?	—————						?			
<b>Cilantro</b>	Transplant		—————				?		?	—————		?		4 weeks
	Direct seed		?	.....			?		.....			?		
<b>Collards</b>	Transplant		—————			?			?	—————				6 weeks
	Direct seed		.....			?			?	.....				
<b>Corn</b>	Direct seed			?	.....		?							
<b>Cucumber</b>	Transplant			?	—————									4 weeks
	Direct seed				.....									
<b>Dill</b>	Direct seed		.....			?			.....					
<b>Eggplant</b>	Transplant				—————									8 weeks
<b>Fava beans</b>	Direct seed		.....						.....		?			
<b>Fennel</b>	Transplant		—————			?			?	—————				6 weeks
	Direct seed		.....			?			?	.....				
<b>Garlic</b>	Plant cloves									—————		?		
<b>Kale</b>	Transplant		—————			?			?	—————		?		4 weeks
	Direct seed		?	.....		?			?	.....		?		
<b>Kohlrabi</b>	Transplant		—————						?	—————				6 weeks
	Direct seed		.....						?	.....				
<b>Leeks</b>	Transplant								—————					8 weeks
<b>Lettuce</b>	Transplant		—————			?			?	—————		?		4 weeks
	Direct seed		?	.....		?			?	.....		?		

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<b>Melons</b>	Transplant					_____								4 weeks
	Direct seed					.....								
<b>Mustard greens</b>	Transplant		_____						?	_____				4 weeks
	Direct seed		.....						?	.....				
<b>Okra</b>	Transplant					?	_____							4 weeks
	Direct seed					?	.....							
<b>Onions</b>	Transplant											_____		8 weeks
<b>Parsley</b>	Transplant		_____				?							9 weeks
<b>Parsnips</b>	Direct seed		.....			?				.....				
<b>Peas</b>	Transplant		_____							_____				3 weeks
	Direct seed		.....						.....		?			
<b>Peppers</b>	Transplant				?	_____								8 weeks
<b>Potatoes</b>	Plant pieces		_____			?								
<b>Radishes</b>	Direct seed		?	.....			?		?	.....		?		
<b>Spinach</b>	Transplant		_____							_____		?		4 weeks
	Direct seed		?	.....						.....		?		
<b>Squash, summer</b>	Transplant				?	_____								3 weeks
	Direct seed					.....								
<b>Squash, winter</b>	Transplant					_____								3 weeks
	Direct seed					.....								
<b>Sweet potatoes</b>	Plant slips					_____								
<b>Tomatoes</b>	Transplant				?	_____								6 weeks
<b>Turnips</b>	Transplant		_____			?			?	_____				4 weeks
	Direct seed			.....		?			?	.....				

Based on UCCE Master Gardener research

### '?' months

The dates shown on the chart are those we have found work best on average for central Santa Clara County, but they may vary depending on factors such as your location in the county and microclimate conditions. The '?' indicates borderline months that might work out if your local conditions and the weather are favorable.

### Growing transplants from seed

To grow your own transplants from seed, use the times under the column headed 'From seed to transplant' to calculate when to sow seeds in pots so that the transplants will be ready. For example, to have broccoli seedlings ready to plant September 15, you should start seeds around August 1.

### Harvest times

Harvest times are not included in this chart because they may vary widely depending on variety and season. Seed packets and plant tags often give a 'days to maturity' that you can use as a guideline. Note that crops mature more slowly in the cool fall/winter season than in the spring/summer.

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