

Food Garden Management



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Days to maturity are from planting seed or setting transplants in the garden. The number of days will vary depending on cultivar (some mature earlier than others), temperature and general growing conditions. Further assistance with gardening, please check with your local county cooperative extension agencies.

2022
Fall Season





- Prepare soil for summer & cool season crops for fall
- Add leaves, compost, manure or other organic matter
- Till or spade up parts of the garden that are clear
- Pull up old plants for summer garden
- July 20th, Start planting bush beans, sweet corn, okra, southern peas, eggplants, tomatoes, sunflower, and zinnias for fall harvest
- Water newly planted crops daily as needed
- Fertilize sweet corn, eggplants, and tomatoes every 2 weeks after planting
- Fertilize beans and peas 4 weeks after planting

JULY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20 	21	22	23
			bush beans, sweet corn, okra, southern peas, eggplants, tomatoes, sunflower, and zinnias			
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						



- Prepare soil for summer & cool season crops for fall
- Add leaves, compost, manure or other organic matter
- Till or spade up parts of the garden that are clear
- August 1ST, Stop planting bush beans, sweet corn, okra, eggplants, sunflowers, zinnia, and tomatoes
- Continue planting southern peas through August 10TH
- Continue fertilizing sweet corn, eggplants, and tomatoes every two weeks
- August 1ST, Begin planting bell peppers, cauliflower, cucumbers, and summer squash
- August 15TH, Begin planting Asian greens, broccoli, collards, kale, Swiss chard, turnips and herbs
- Fertilize bell peppers, broccoli, cauliflower, collards, and Swiss chard every two weeks after planting
- Fertilize cucumbers and summer squash 4 weeks after planting
- August 15TH, Stop planting bell peppers, cucumbers, and southern peas
- Water newly planted crops daily as need
- Water established crops deeply 1 - 2 weeks as needed



AUGUST



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	 1 bell peppers, cauliflower, cucumbers, and summer squash	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	 15 Asian greens, broccoli, collards, kale, Swiss chard, turnips and herbs	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

- Prepare soil for summer & cool season crops for fall
- Add leaves, compost, manure or other organic matter
- Till or spade up parts of the garden that are clear
- Start harvesting sweet potatoes planted in May
- September 1st, Begin planting carrots and lettuce
- September 5th, Stop planting broccoli, cauliflower, collards, kohlrabi, Swiss chard, summer squash
- September 15th, Begin planting spinach and radishes
- September 15th, Stop planting Asian greens, carrots, mustard greens, and turnips
- Continue planting herbs throughout September
- Fertilize corn, tomatoes, bell peppers, broccoli, cauliflower, collards, and Swiss chard every two weeks
- Stop fertilizing sweet corn when the tassels appear.
- Water newly planted crops daily as needed
- Water established crops deeply 1-2 times a week as needed



SEPTEMBER

SUN MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT

				 1	2	3
				carrots and lettuce		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15 	16	17
				spinach and radishes		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	






- Start harvesting fall garden
- Prepare soil for summer & cool season crops for fall
- Add leaves, compost, manure or other organic matter
- Till or spade up parts of the garden that are clear
- October 1st, Stop planting cabbage and lettuce
- Begin planting strawberries throughout October
- October 15th, Begin planting onions
- October 15th, Stop planting spinach and radishes
- Water established crops deeply 1-2 times a week as needed



OCTOBER

SUN MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT

						1  strawberries
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15  onions
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31  strawberries					



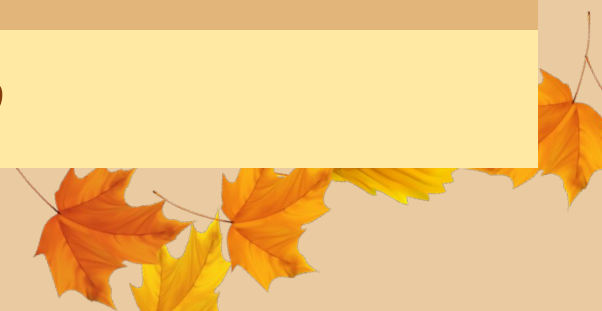


- Continue harvesting fall garden
- Add leaves, compost, manure or other organic matter
- Till or spade up parts of the garden that are clear
- Pull up warm season crops after they finish
- Harvest final warm season before the frost
- November 15th, Stop planting onions
- Water established crops deeply 1-2 times a week as needed



NOVEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			





- Continue harvesting fall garden
- Prepare garden beds for potential colder temperatures by adding hoops
- Finish cleaning out the garden of warm and cool season (pulling out plants & weeds)



DECEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31



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