

# Spring Planting Guide

Note: some plants go to seed quickly when the days are longer. I.e. Lettuce, rocket, kale, coriander.

PLANT	INSTRUCTIONS	SEPT	OCT	NOV	NOTES
Artichoke, globe	DS/TS				
Asian greens	DS/TS			X	
Asparagus	TS	X			
*Basil	DS/TS				With tomatoes
*Beans	DS/TS				Pot/trellis
Beetroot	DS/TS				
Capsicum	DS/TS				Start indoors/greenhouse Aug/Sept TS to pots/ground
Carrots	DS				Pinch out
*Celery	DS/TS				
*Chard/Silverbeet	DS/TS			X	
Chilli	DS/TS				Start indoors/greenhouse Aug/Sept TS to pots/ground
*Chives	DS/TS				
*Collard Greens	DS				
Coriander	DS/TS		X	X	Pot/ground shade
Cucumber	TS				Start indoors/greenhouse Aug/Sept TS to pots/ground
Dill	DS/TS				
Eggplant	TS				Start indoors/greenhouse Aug/Sept TS to pots/ground
Endive	TS/DS				
Kale	DS/TS				Protect from cabbage butterfly
Leeks	TS				
*Lettuce	TS/DS Scatter				Propagate best under 24degrees
Marjoram	TS				Pots/Ground
Melons	TS				Space?
*Mint	TS				Pot
*Mustard greens	DS/TS				
*Oregano	DS/TS				
Onion	DS				
*Parsley	DS/TS				
Parsnip	DS				
Peas				X	
Potatoes	Seed potatoes				
*Radish	DS				
*Rocket	DS Scatter		X	X	
*Rosemary	TS/cuttings				Pot/ground
*Sage	TS				Pots/Ground
*Sunflower	DS				Pots/Ground
*Spinach	TS/DS				

*Spinach-perpetual	TS/DS				
*Spring onions	DS Scatter				
Strawberries	TS				Pots/Ground
*Thyme	TS				
Tomatoes	TS				Start indoors/greenhouse Aug/Sept TS to pots/ground
Zucchini	TS/DS				Pots/Ground

Please freely use this as a guide, and add your other favourite plants to the additional rows.

Choose plants according to the season, your site size and environmental elements, garden and plant maintenance time, and what you would like to eat.

Some plants listed are perennials lasting 2 plus years.

If you require more space for note taking, consider a garden journal.

#### KEY

- \*Super easy to grow
- DS = Direct sow seed. Directly sow seeds into garden bed. Work out spacing and depth of seed required.
- TS = Transplant (Start indoors in containers and plant out seedlings in 4-6 weeks, when about 6 leaves on seedling.) Or buy seedlings (harden-off) before planting in garden
- X = depending on the current weather, they may not do well in these months or it may be better to start them off in a greenhouse.

#### PLAN AND PREP

Consider plant requirements:

- Prepare garden beds: Soil Ph? Crop rotation methods. Compost and other amendments needed?
- Does plant grow best in sun/shade?
- How far apart should the seeds/seedlings be spaced?
- Do they need a trellis or support structure?
- Are their plant companions for optimal growth?
- Will you succession plant for longer harvest period?
- Do they require a lot/little water? Group plants with similar water requirements.
- What mulch will you use to keep soil covered?
- Do the plants require a protective barrier?



## NOTES

Use the space to note:

- Date planted: seeds sown/seedlings transplanted, in/out of greenhouse.
- Harvesting method and dates.
- What worked well and what didn't and possible issues. Ie weather, location, soil health, Pest infestations/disease and treatments.
- Companion plants
- Maintenance/fertilising undertaken

