

Australian Organic Schools



Planning your Organic Garden Crop List

Plant type colour key

- = legumes
- = fruiting vegetables
- = leafy greens
- = root vegetables

Crop	Plant type	Growing period			Sowing method	Weeks to Harvest from Seed/Seedling
		Cool	Warm	Hot		
Basil	■	Oct – Apr	Sept – Apr	Any	Seedling	8–9
Beans, Broad	■	Mar – Aug	Apr – Jul	Apr – Jul	Direct	9–17
Beans, Climbing	■	Oct – Dec	Sept – Jan	Mar – Sept	Direct	9–14
Beans, Dwarf	■	Oct – Jan	Sept – Feb	Mar – Sept	Direct	9–14
Beetroot	■	Sept – Feb	Jul – Mar	Apr – Jul	Direct	7–20
Broccoli Any	■	Any	Jun – Mar	Feb – Jun	Seedling	16–20
Brussels sprouts	■	Oct – Feb	Dec – Mar	N/A	Seedling	14–20
Cabbage	■	Jul – Mar	Any	Any	Seedling	14–22
Capsicum	■	Sept – Nov	Aug – Mar	Any	Seedling	12–19
Carrot	■	Sept – Feb	Jul – Mar	Feb – Nov	Direct	9–19
Cauliflower	■	Nov – Jun	Dec – Apr	Jan – Apr	Seedling	19–24
Celery/Celeriac	■	Aug – Dec	Jul – Nov	Jan – Jun	Seedling	21–24
Chard	■	Aug – Feb	Jul – Mar	Apr – Jul	Direct	8–51
Chicory	■	Aug – Mar	Aug – Apr	N/A	Direct	9–25
Chilli	■	Sept – Nov	Aug – Mar	Any	Seedling	12–19
Coriander	■	Oct – Dec + Feb – Apr	Aug – Nov + Feb – May	Any	Direct	4–13
Corn (sweet)	■	Oct – Jan	Sept – Feb	Jul – Oct	Direct	11–14
Corn (popping)	■	Oct – Jan	Sept – Dec	Aug – Nov	Direct	15–16
Cucumber	■	Oct – Dec	Sept – Jan	Jul – Oct	Direct	8–11
Dill	■	Sept – Oct	Aug – Jan	Any	Direct	8–10
Eggplant	■	Sept – Nov	Aug – Mar	Any	Seedling	13–16
Endive	■	March + Sept – Oct	Feb – Apr + Sept – Oct	Apr – Jul	Direct	10
Fennel, bulb	■	Sept – Feb	Aug – Dec	Feb – Aug	Direct	14–20
Garlic, bulb	■	Mar – May	Mar – May	Mar – May	Direct	18–26
Jerusalem Artichoke	■	Nov – Dec	Sept – Nov	N/A	Direct tubers	15 – 20
Kale	■	Jan – Apr	Mar – Jun	Apr – Jul	Seedling	7–9
Kohl-rabi	■	Aug – Mar	Aug – May	Apr – Aug	Direct	7–10
Leek	■	Sept – Mar	Aug – Apr	Jan – Mar	Seedling	15–18
Lettuce	■	Any	Any	Mar – Apr	Direct	8–12
Mitzuna	■	Any	Any	Any	Direct	5–7
Onion	■	Feb – Oct	Feb – Aug	Apr – Jul	Seedling	25–34
Pak choi	■	Sept – Apr	Any	Any	Direct	6–8
Parsley	■	Jul – Dec	Jul – Dec	May – Aug	Seedling	9–13
Peas, climbing	■	Jan – Oct	Feb – Aug	Mar – Jul	Direct	10–14
Peas, dwarf	■	Apr – Oct	Apr – Jul	Apr – Jul	Direct	9–12
Potato	■	Aug – Dec	Jul – Dec	Feb – Sept	Direct	16–20
Potato, sweet	■	N/A	Sept – Nov	Jul – Nov	Direct	16–20
Pumpkin	■	Oct – Dec	Oct – Dec	Jul – Oct	Direct	15–18
Radish	■	Any	Any	Any	Direct	4.5–7
Rockmelon	■	Oct – Dec	Sept – Dec	Jul – Oct	Direct	10–16
Rocket	■	Any	Any	Any	Direct	4–6
Silverbeet	■	Aug – Feb	Jul – Mar	Apr – Jul	Direct	9–51
Spinach	■	Feb – Aug	Feb – Jun	Apr – Jul	Direct	6–8
Squash	■	Oct – Dec	Sept – Dec	Jul – Oct	Direct	8–10
Spring onion	■	Any	Any	Any	Seedling	10–13
Swede	■	Aug/Sept Jan – Mar	Jan – Apr	Mar – Apr	Direct	10–14
Strawberry	■	Oct – Nov	May – Jul	Apr – May	Seedling	11–12
Tatsoi	■	Any	Any	Any	Direct	6–8
Tomato	■	Sept – Dec	Aug – Dec	Any	Seedling	17–21
Turnip Any	■	Any	Jan – Apr + Aug – Oct	Feb – May	Direct	7–9
Watermelon	■	Oct – Dec	Sept – Dec	Jul – Oct	Direct	10–14
Zucchini	■	Oct – Dec	Sept – Dec	Any	Direct	7–10