

Growing Calendar

(S) Sowing in succession

(P) protect against pests with netting, cabbage collars etc

Jan / Feb	Broad Beans	Sow in rows 23cm between plants, rows 60cm apart
	Salad Onions	Can also be sown in August for spring crop
March / April	Summer cabbage (P)	Sow in pots, plant out when 7.5cm tall
	Carrots	Sow in rows. Erect fleece barrier or sow in June to avoid carrot fly
	Leeks	Sow in root trainers or pots. Plant out when pencil thick in 15cm holes
	Lettuce / salad leaves (S)	Sow every 3—4 weeks until Sept / Oct
	Onion sets	15cm between plants & rows. Let tops fall over before digging up, dry before storing
	Peas (S)	Sow 3 staggered rows in shallow trench. Put up supports & netting
	Potatoes early	30cm apart, 15cm deep, in rows 60cm apart. Protect shoots from frost
	Potatoes main	38cm apart, 76cm between rows, dig up by Sept
	Spinach (S)	Sow thinly in rows in succession. Pick often
	Swiss chard	Sow 30cm apart. Hardy, pick over long period
April / May	Tomatoes	Sow indoors. Plant out when warm, feed every 10 days
	French beans	Sow in warm soil. Put up cane supports, in rows or wigwams
	Beetroot (S)	Sow in rows in succession until July
	Broccoli (P)	Sow in pots, plant out when 7.5cm tall
	Cauliflower (P)	As broccoli
	Kale (P)	As broccoli
May / June	Parsnip	Sow in ground, thin later. Sow radishes to mark rows
	Runner beans	Sow in warm soil, erect supports, pick regularly, keep well watered
	Beans (borlotti etc)	As runner beans. If drying, leave on plants till foliage brown and crisp
	Winter cabbage (P)	Sow in pots, plant out 40—50cm apart when 7.5cm tall. Protect against pests
	Courgette	Raise in pots, plant out May/June 60cm apart. Pick regularly
	Pumpkin / Squash	Raise in pots, plant out May / June 60—90cm apart
July	Sweetcorn	Sow in block not row. 35cm between plants each way
	Swiss chard	See March
August	Japanese onion sets	Plant 25—30cm apart each way
	Salad onions	Sow for spring crop
Sept / Oct	Garlic	Plant cloves 15cm apart
	Spinach (S)	Sow in rows as in March / April
November	Broad beans	Sow as Jan / Feb
December		HAVE A REST!!!!!!

