



# Westchester County Vegetable Planting Calendar



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## A NOTE ON WESTCHESTER'S CLIMATE:

This is a general gardening calendar listing planting dates for vegetables and flowers grown in the New York City area as revised for Westchester County. As the Westchester climate can be characterized by noticeable differences between north and south and since microclimates seem an accepted variable in any geographic area, these factors should be taken into account when tailoring this chart to your garden.

Yearly record-keeping on your garden and local observations on the above factors can become a valuable tool for future success. The optimum results with vegetables will probably best be realized on a sunny site with fertile, well-drained soil.

**Be sure to follow days to maturity on seed packet.**

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	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
Basil			EEEEEE				
Beans, Bush			SSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSS				
Beans, Dry			SSSSSSSSS				
Beans, Pole			SSSSSSSS				
Beets			SSSSSSSSSSSSSS				
Broccoli		SSSS	TTTT		SSSS	TT	
Broccoli Raab		SSSSSSS			SSSSSSSS		
Brussels Sprouts		SSSTTT					
Cabbage		SSSTTTT			TTTTTTTT		
Carrots		SSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSS			SSSSSSSSSS		
Cauliflower			TTTTTTTTTTT				
Celery		TTT					
Chinese Cabbage		EEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE			SSSS	TTTT	
Collards		EEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE	EEEEEEEE		EEEEEEEE	TTT	
Corn			SSSSSSSS				
Cucumbers			EEEEEE				
Dill			SSSSSSSSSSSSSS	SSSS	SSS		
Fava Beans	SSSSSSSS						
Eggplant				TT			
Fennel		SSSSSSS					
Gourds			SSSSSSS				
Greens		SSSSSSSSSSSSSSSS					
Kale		SSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSS	SSSSS			SSSSSSSSSS	
Kohlrabi		SSSSSSSS				SSSSS	
Leeks (seeds)	TTT						

Arugula,  
Chicory, Cilantro,  
Corn Salad, Cress,  
Endive, Escarole,  
Mustard Greens

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	Head Lettuce		EEEE					
	Leaf Lettuce		EEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE				EEE	
	Melons			EEEE				
	Okra				SSSS			
	Onion sets		TTTTTTT					
	Parsley		SSSETTTTTTTTTT	TTTTTTTTT				
	Parsnips		SSSSSSSSSS					
	Peanuts				SS			
	Peas (bush or pole)	SSSSSSSS						
	Peppers (hot or sweet)				TT			
	Potatoes (eyes)		SSSSSS					
	Pumpkins			SSSS				
	Radishes		SSSSSSSSSS				SSSSSSSS	
	Rutabagas		SSSSSSSS					
	Shallots (bulbs)		TTTTTTT					
	Soybeans			SSSSSSSSSSSSSS				
	Spinach	SSSSSSSSSSSSSS						WW
	Squash (summer)			SSSS				
	Squash (winter)			SSSS				
	Summer Spinach (Malabar)				SSSS			
	Summer Spinach (New Zealand)				SSS			
	Sunflowers			SSSSS				
	Sweet Potatoes (plants)			TTT				
	Swiss Chard		SSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSSS					
	Tomatoes			TTT				
	Turnips		SSSSSSS			SSSS		
	Turnip Greens		SSSSSSSSSS			SSSSSSSSSS		

**SPECIAL CONSIDERATION CROPS**

Asparagus	Best planted as crowns in a perennial bed, mid-April to early May.
Chives	Best planted as transplants in a perennial bed, mid-April to end growing season..
Garlic	Best planted as cloves in October.
Horseradish	Best planted as root cuttings in perennial bed, mid-April through end of May.
Jerusalem Artichoke	Best planted as tubers, in a separate plot, mid-May through early June.
Perennial Herbs	Best planted as transplants in a perennial bed, spring through early summer.
Rhubarb	Best planted as crowns in a perennial bed, mid-April through end of May.
Strawberries	Best planted as plants in a perennial bed through May.

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