Spring Vegetable Planting Schedule
for Southeastern Wisconsin

With an average frost free date of May 2 – 6th:

In mid-February, sow seeds indoors of:
- onions
- leeks

In Late March or Early April, sow seeds indoors of:
- eggplant
- head lettuce
- cole crops:
- broccoli, cauliflower, early cabbage, collards, kale
- peppers
- celery
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- broccoli, cauliflower, early cabbage, collards, kale

In Mid- to Late April, sow seeds indoors of:
- tomatoes

In Late April, sow seeds directly into the garden of:
- beets
- onion sets
- carrots
- parsnips
- chard
- peas
- collards
- potato tubers (seed pieces)
- kale
- radishes
- kohlrabi
- spinach
- leaf lettuce
- turnips
- mustard

In Early May, sow seeds indoors of:
- squashes
- pumpkins
- melons
- cucumbers

Transplant plants into the garden of:
- broccoli
- collards
- head lettuce
- leeks
- early cabbage
- kale
- parsley
- onions
- cauliflower

In Mid-May, sow seeds directly into the garden of:
- beans
- pumpkins
- okra
- sweet corn

In Late May, sow seeds directly into the garden of:
- lima beans
- cucumbers
- Brussels sprouts
- summer squash
- late cabbage
- watermelon

In Late May or Early June, transplant plants into the garden of:
- celery
- melons
- tomato
- Brussels sprouts
- pumpkins
- pepper
- squashes
- eggplant
Late Season Vegetable Planting Schedule
With an average first frost date of October 20th:

In mid-July:

**Can still sow seeds of:**
- bush beans
- cucumbers
- beets
- kale
- carrots
- parsnips
- chard
- collards

**Last date to sow seeds of:**
- broccoli
- cauliflower
- late cabbage
- Chinese cabbage

On August 1st:

**Can still sow seeds of:**
- beets
- chard

**Last date to sow seeds of:**
- bush beans
- carrot
- collards

**Plant transplants of:**
- broccoli
- late cabbage
- cauliflower
- Chinese cabbage
- onion plants
- cucumber

September 1st:

**Last date to sow seeds of:**
- beets
- chard
- leaf lettuce
- mustard greens
- spinach

**Plant transplants of:**
- onion sets
- kohlrabi

September 15th:

**Last date to sow seeds of:** radishes

For Further information:

Wisconsin Horticulture website: [http://hort.uwex.edu](http://hort.uwex.edu)
UW-Extension publications website: [http://learningstore.uwex.edu](http://learningstore.uwex.edu)
- The Vegetable Garden (A1989)
- Growing Vegetables at Home (A2801)
- Vegetable Cultivars and Planting Guide (A1653)
- Disease Resistant Vegetables for the Home Garden (A3110)

“Vegetable Gardening for the Midwest” by Vandermark and Voight

University of Illinois Cooperative Extension Service publications

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