



Seed Starting

Seed Starting Schedule—Vegetables

Note: Normal last frost date is June 1st in the Fairbanks area.

Garden: If your plants are to be transplanted outside, use the “calendar” times to figure when you should start the seed, e.g., Tomatoes would be started March 20th – April 1st.

Greenhouse: If your plants are to be transplanted into a greenhouse, use the “weeks” times and count back from the date the greenhouse is to be planted, e.g., if your greenhouse is to be planted May 1st, Tomatoes would be started 5 - 6 weeks before transplanting or March 10th – 20th.

Keep Records: Every garden or greenhouse is a little different and you should adjust these dates to your location. Keeping records will help you make these changes accurately.

March 1st-10th 12-14 Weeks before transplanting

Celery Peppers Parsley O-S Cross Cabbage Artichokes Leeks

March 10th – 20th 10-12 Weeks before transplanting

Eggplant Tomatoes – greenhouse Cucumbers – greenhouse Cherry Tomatoes

March 20th – April 1st 8-10 Weeks before transplanting

Tomatoes – Outside Melons – greenhouse Most Herbs

April 1st – 10th 6-8 Weeks before transplanting

Brussels Sprouts Okra Bunching Onions

April 20th – May 1th 4-5 Weeks before transplanting

Cabbage Head Lettuce Cauliflower Pumpkins Broccoli

Cucumbers – Outdoor Squash Melons Collards Mustard Greens

May 1th – May 15th 3-4 Weeks before transplanting

Beans Peas Spinach Zucchini Corn

Beets Carrots

This last planting could also be seeded directly into the ground in your garden soil.

Keep detailed and accurate records for your future reference! You’ll be glad you did!

Seed Starting Schedule—Annual Bedding Plants

Bedding Areas: Use the calendar times to figure when you should start the seed. For example, lobelia would be started March 1st – 10th.

Hanging Baskets and Planters: Plants that will be transplanted into outdoor containers, use the “weeks” times and count back from the date that the containers will be planted. For example, if your containers are ready to be planted May 1st, lobelia should be started 12 - 14 weeks before transplanting or March 1st – 10th.

Keep Records: Every location is a little different and you should adjust these dates to your location. Keeping records will help you make these changes and the selection of new varieties intelligently.

February 15th

Tuberous Begonias

March 1st – 10th 12-14 Weeks before transplanting

Lobelia Carnations Non-Stop Begonias Petunias for baskets Geraniums

March 10th – 20th 10-12 Weeks before transplanting

Portulaca Nemesia Pansies Ageratum Violas Schizanthus
Petunias for bedding Gazania

March 20th – April 1st 8-10 Weeks before transplanting

Snapdragons Daisies Anemones Alyssum Poppies Ranunculus
Verbena Coleus Impatiens Phlox Dahlias from seed

April 1st – 10th 6-8 Weeks before transplanting

Asters Potentilla Godetia Single Marigolds Mimulus Candytuft
Asarina Celosia Dianthus Nicotiana Salvia

April 10th – 20th 5-6 Weeks before transplanting

Hollyhocks Calendula Lavatera Larkspur Stock
African Daisies Giant Marigolds Gypsophila Nemesia Rudbeckia
Tuberous Dahlias Dwarf Marigolds Phlox Zinnias

April 20th – May 1st 4-5 Weeks before transplanting

Sunflowers Sweet Peas Canary Bird Vine Cosmos
Morning Glory Nasturtiums Scarlet Runner Beans
Gladioli Bulbs (don't put in the ground until 6/1, or your blossoms may be stunted!)

Jim Sez...”GOOD LUCK AND GOOD GROWING”