

VEGETABLE CHARACTERISTICS

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Optimum Temperatures for Different Vegetables

	Optimum T°	Minimum	Maximum	Vegetable
	55-75°	45°	85°	Chicory, chive, garlic, leek, onion, shallot
Cool Season	60-65°	40°	75°	Arugula, beet, broccoli, Brussels sprouts, cab- bage, chard, collards, horseradish, kale, kohlrabi, pak choi, radish, spinach, turnip
Coo	60-65°	45°	75°	Artichoke, carrot, cauliflower, celery, Chinese cabbage, coriander/cilantro, endive, lettuce, mustard, parsley, peas, potato
	60-70°	50°	80°	Lima bean, snap bean
son	60-75°	50°	95°	Sweet corn, black-eyed pea (cowpea), New Zealand spinach, popcorn
Season	65-75°	50°	90°	Chayote, pumpkin, squash
cm (65-75°	60°	90°	Cucumber, cantaloupe
Warm	70-75°	65°	80°	Sweet pepper, tomato
1	70-85°	65°	95°	Eggplant, Ceylon spinach, chili pepper, okra, roselle, sweet potato, watermelon

Rooting Depths for Different Vegetables

Shallow (12-18")	Moderately deep (18-24")	Deep (>24")
broccoli	bush & pole beans	artichoke
Brussels sprouts	beet	asparagus
cabbage	cantaloupe	Lima bean
cauliflower	carrot	okra
celery	chard	parsnip
Chinese cabbage	cucumber	pumpkin
collards	eggplant	rhubarb
corn	kale	sweet potato
endive	mustard	tomato
garlic	peas	watermelon
leek	peppers	winter squash
lettuce	summer squash	-
onion	turnip	-9-
parsley	-	
potato		
radish		
spinach		
strawberry		

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General Planting Guidelines for Cool Season Vegetables in the Foothills

• Artichoke: Nov – March (bare root)

• Carrots: August to Oct., Feb to April

• Beets: Aug/Sept for fall harvest, late Oct. low elevations, Feb/March

• Chives: anytime

• Garlic: Oct/Nov. then Feb/March

Green onions: Oct. to May

• Lettuces & greens: Sept/Oct to March

• Parsley: Nov. to May

• Potato: August/Sept., Feb to May

• Radish: anytime

• Rhubarb: Dec. to March

Fall/winter planting only:

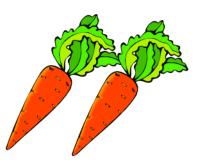
• Cole crops: August >2000 feet, Sept. <2000 feet

• Onions: Aug. thru Nov.

• Peas: Sept to February

Spinach: Sept to Jan/Feb.







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