

Vegetable Seeds to Start Indoors BEFORE Last Frost

The tables below give approximate seed starting dates. These should be fairly accurate for most areas of the country and most vegetable varieties, but check the seed packet for specific instructions as some cultivars can have different requirements.

Weeks Before Last Frost	Plants	When to Transplant Outside
10 - 12	Broccoli Brussel sprouts Cabbage Cauliflower Collards Kale Kohlrabi Mustard Celery	4 – 6 weeks before last frost Except celery - transplant that 2 weeks before last frost (it will bolt in response to cold)
8 – 10	Lettuce Spinach Chives Leeks Onions	4 weeks before last frost or when the soil can be worked
6 - 8	Eggplant Okra Peppers Tomatillo Tomatoes	After last frost.
6	Asparagus Basil Fennel	
2 - 4	Cucumber Melons Pumpkins Squash	After last frost. These can also be direct sown 2 weeks after the last expected frost.

Note: Give plants time to harden off before transplanting.



Vegetable Seeds to Sow Outdoors BEFORE Last Frost

Weeks Before Last Frost	Plants
	Beets
	Fava beans
8 - 10	Seed potatoes
0 - 10	Onion sets
	Rutabagas
	Turnips
	Radishes
	Kale
	Kohlrabi
	Carrots
6 - 8	Lettuce
	Spinach
	Chinese cabbage
	Swiss chard
	Mustard
4 - 6	Endive
4 - 0	English Peas

Vegetable Seeds to Sow Outdoors AFTER Last Frost

Weeks After Last Frost	Plants
	Beans
1 – 2	Celeriac
	Cowpeas
	Corn
	Cucumbers
2	Pumpkins
	Melons
	Squash



Herbs to Sow Indoors

Weeks Before Last Frost	Plants	When to Transplant Outside
8 - 10	Lemon Balm	When soil can be worked
	Summer Savory	2 weeks after last frost
	Winter Savory	Around average last frost
6 - 8	Fennel	Around average last frost
	Parsley	2 weeks before last frost
	Rosemary	2 weeks before last frost
3 - 4	Basil	2 - 3 weeks after last frost
	Sage	2 weeks after last frost

Herbs to Sow Outdoors AFTER Last Frost

- Angelica
- Anise
- Borage
- Caraway
- Chamomile
- Chervil
- Chives
- Cilantro
- Cumin
- Dill
- Fennel
- Lavender
- Lovage
- Marjoram
- Mustards
- Salad Burnet
- Sorrel
- Sweet Cicely