Plant Early spring veggies, but don't forget to save space for round two!

Early veggie starts: Beets, Broccoli, Cabbage, Lettuce, onions, peas, potatoes and spinach are just the beginning! With all these great crops it is easy to fill up your whole garden in one day. However, we want to remind you to save some space for replanting fast maturing crops (such as lettuce) for a continual harvest. This practice is commonly referred to as "succession planting", and will help you maximize the harvest season by continually planting new areas of varieties that will ripen sequentially.

Tips and Tricks

- *Some crops, such as potatoes, tomatoes and squash, you only plant once.
- *Fast maturing crops such as leafy greens, annual herbs and some root crops are the easiest to keep in production with succession planting. Use the "Suggested Plantings" boxes below to select your crops.
- *Crops planted from starts will mature faster than the same crop planted from seed.
- *Most seeds require soil temperatures of 50-55°F to sprout. Starts tolerate slightly cooler soils.
- *The increasing day length is another factor influencing the time between plantings: Marvel of Four Seasons Lettuce may take 60 days to mature when planted in March but only 30 days to mature when planted in May.
- *It is important to utilize varieties that can withstand lower temperatures and possible frosts at the beginning or end of the season.
- *At the start of summer, utilize varieties that are heat tolerant to minimize bolting and bitterness of leafy crops.
- *Fall and winter crops such as Brussels sprouts and cabbage are best planted in late June early July from seed or in July and August from starts.

Suggested Spring Plantings March-April

Arugula seeds or starts

Asian greens seeds or starts

Beets seeds or starts

Broccoli starts

Cabbage starts

Cauliflower starts

Carrots seeds

Cilantro seeds or starts

Collards starts

Endive seeds or starts

Kale seed or starts

Kohlrabi seed or starts

Lettuce seed or start

Mache seeds

Mustard Greens seed or start

Radicchio seed or start

Radish seeds

Scallions starts

Swiss chard seeds or start

Spinach seed or start

Turnips seeds

Suggested Late Spring to Mid Summer Plantings

May - July

Basil seeds or starts

Beans, bush seeds

Beets seeds

Cabbage starts.

Carrots seeds

Cilantro seeds

Collards seeds or starts

Corn seeds or starts

Dill seeds or starts

Lettuce, warm season varieties seeds or starts

Radishes seeds

Rutabaga seeds

Scallions starts

Swiss Chard seeds or starts

Turnips seeds

Suggested Late Summer to Early Fall Plantings July - Sept.

Arugula seeds

Asian Greens seeds

Beets seeds or starts

Broccoli Raab seeds or starts

Broccoli starts

Brussels Sprouts seeds or starts

Cabbage seeds or starts

Carrots seeds

Cauliflower seeds or starts

Cilantro seeds

Collards seeds or starts

Kale seeds or starts

Lettuce seeds or starts

Mache seed

Mustard seed

Napa Cabbage seeds or starts

Radish seeds

Spinach seeds or starts

Turnips 40-50 days

Visual Aid

Some of us are visual learners. The following diagram shows a planting space at least three feet wide and eight feet. The bed is divided into four sections, to be planted 2 weeks apart (approximate planting dates are weather dependent). Theoretically, two weeks after the fourth section is planted the first section is ready to be harvested and replanted with new crops. Please note planting dates may be adjusted to accommodate weather and personal schedules.

March 15 th	April 1st	April 15 th	May 1st
Cilantro	Arugula/ Mizuna	Beets, baby	Arugula/ Mizuna
Endive/Radicchio	Beets	Carrots	Beets
Lettuce	Carrots	Lettuce	Carrots
Radishes	Chard	Radishes	Cilantro
Mustard	Lettuce	Spinach	Lettuce
Spinach	Radishes	Turnips	Joi Choi

As we transition into late Spring the crop choices change...

May 15 th	June 1 st	June 15 th	July 1st
Leave: Endive	Leave: Carrots	Leave: Carrots	Leave: Beets
	Beets	Turnips	
Plant: Bush Beans	Chard		Plant: Cilantro
Basil Dill Carrots	Plant: Bush Beans Lettuce Cilantro	Plant: Dill Corn Lettuce	Corn

Once mid summer rolls around our planting pallet changes again:

July 15 th	August 1 st	August 15 th	September 1st
Leave: Basil Beans	Leave: Beans		Leave: Corn (cut down stalks when harvest is done)
Dill Carrots Plant: Fall crops	Plant: Carrots Fall crops Lettuce	Plant: Arugula Beets Kale Radish	Plant: Arugula Lettuce Mache

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