

FALL GARDEN CALENDAR

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August 10-20

DAYS TO PLANTING DIRECT SEED HARVEST **DEPTH** (Inches) 50-60 $1 - 1 \frac{1}{2}$ Beans Beets 50-63 3/4 - 1 1/4 1/4 - 1/2 Carrots 50-70 Green Onions 50-60 1/2 - 1 $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{4}$ Kale 50-60 Kohlrabi 55-70 1/2 - 3/4 $1 - 1 \frac{1}{2}$ Peas 64-68 50-60 $\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2}$ Lettuce Onions (overwintering) Harvest next June $\frac{1}{2}$ - 1 (do not plant before 9/1) Radishes $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{4}$ 28-30 $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{4}$ Swiss Chard 50-60 42-45 1/2 - 3/4 Spinach **Turnips** $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{4}$ 57-60

FOR TRANSPLANTS

DAYS FROM TRANSPLANTING <u>TO MATURITY</u>

(Wait until temperatures begin to cool noticeably before planting transplants)

Sept 10-25Broccoli45-60Cabbage45-60Cauliflower45-60Lettuce30-45

NOTE: At higher elevations (above 4,000 ft) move planting dates up by about 2 weeks.

Much of Washington County has a long growing season extending well into October. Higher elevations will likely see frost earlier, so plan accordingly. On transplanted vegetables such as broccoli and cabbage, plan on needing an additional month after planting to allow them to mature. It is true that many of these can withstand a light frost without injury, but they should be well established before frost. Some crops such as lettuce, spinach, and beets will handle the frost quite well. Onions tht are to be kept for storage actually do better if planted now and then harvested next summer.