

Alabama Vegetable Garden Planting Chart

These planting dates are for Central Alabama. For South Alabama make spring plantings approximately 10 days earlier and fall plantings 10 days later. In North Alabama make spring plantings approximately 10 days later and fall plantings 10 days earlier.

Vegetable	Days To Maturity*	Cultivars**	Planting Dates Spring	Planting Dates Fall	Seeds Or Plants/100 ft.	Spacing, Rows/Plants (inches)
Asparagus	2nd Year	Mary Washington (female hybrid), UC-157 (male hybrid), Jersey Giant (male hybrid)	April***		50-75 crowns	36x9-15
Beans, Bush Snap	50 - 60	Contender, Green Crop, Derby	April	Aug. 5-20	¾ lb.	36x2-3
Beans, Pole Snap	60 - 75	Dade, Kentucky Wonder, Kentucky Blue	Apr. 10-30	July 20-Aug. 5	½ lb.	36x6-8
Beans, Lima	65 - 75	Fordhook 242, Baby Fordhook, Henderson	Apr. 10-May 10	July 20-Aug. 5	¾ lb.	36x3-6
Beans, Pole Lima	80 - 85	Carolina Sieva, Florida Speckled, King of the Garden	Apr. 15-May 15	July 15-Aug. 1	½ lb.	36x6-8
Beets	55 - 65	Asgrow Wonder, Detroit Dark Red	February	August	½ oz.	30x2
Broccoli	55 - 75	Green Comet, Green Duke, Packman, Premium Crop, Mariner		Aug. 1-15	½ oz.	36x18
Brussels Sprouts	90 - 120	Long Island Improved, Jade Cross Hybrid, Prince Marvel		Aug. 1-Sept. 1	½ oz.	36x18
Cabbage	60 - 85	Bravo, Charleston Wakefield, Round Dutch, Stonehead Savoy Cabbage: Ace	Jan. 1-Feb. 15***	July 25-Aug. 10	½ oz.	36x12
Oriental Cabbages	45 - 60	Michihli, Bok choy, Pak choy, Napa		Aug. 1-15	½ oz.	36x12
Carrots	60 - 80	Chantenay, Danvers 126, Lady Fingers, Scarlet Nantes, Thumbelina	March	July 20-Sept. 20	¼ oz.	30x1-2
Cauliflower	60 - 75	Snowball, Snow Crown, Violet Queen	Jan. 1-Feb. 15***	July 25-Aug. 10	½ oz.	36x12
Collards	60 - 80	Champion, Georgia Southern, Vates, Top Bunch		July 1-Sept. 15	½ oz.	36x12-18
Corn, Sweet	65 - 90	Silver Queen, Golden Queen, Seneca Chief, How Sweet It Is, Merit, Snow Belle	Mar. 15-June 1		¼ lb.	36x12-18
Cucumbers	50 - 65	Pickling: Calypso, Explorer; Slicing: Dasher II, Fanfare, Salad Bush, General Lee	Apr. 15-May 15	July 1-20	1 oz.	60x24
Eggplant	65 - 85	Black Beauty, Black Belle, Classic, Ghost Buster, Ichiban	Apr. 15-May 15***	July 1-20***	50 plants	36x24
Kale	50 - 70	Dwarf Scotch, Vates		Aug. 15-Sept. 15	½ oz.	36x10
Kohlrabi	45 - 55	Grand Duke, Rapid	March	Aug. 15-Sept.	½ oz. or 150-200 plants	24x6
Lettuces	45 - 85	Leafy lettuces: Blackseeded Simpson, Salad Bowl, Red Sails Bibb; Buttercrunch, Summer Bibb Leafy salad greens: Arugula, Chicory (Radicchio), Corn Salad	Jan. 15-Feb.***	Aug. 15-Sept. 1	⅛ oz.	30x12

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Muskmelons	75 - 90	AUrorora, Ambrosia, Chilton, Gulf Coast, Athena	April		1 oz.	60x24
Mustard	40 - 50	Florida Broadleaf, Giant Southern Curled, Red Giant	Feb. 1-Mar. 15	Aug. 15-Sept. 5	½ oz.	30x2
Okra	50 - 65	Clemson Spineless, Emerald, Lee, Burgundy	April 10-June 30		1 oz.	36x12
Onions, Bulb	100 - 120	Fresh bulb: Granex 33, Grano 502, Grano 1015 Long-storing bulb: Yellow, White, Red	Jan. 15-Mar. 15***	Sept. 15-Oct. 15	½ oz. or 400 plants	30x2-4
Onions, Green	40 - 55	Multiplied: Evergreen		October-February	1 qt.	30x2-4
Peas, Garden	60 - 70	Little Marvel, Green Arrow, Snappy, Victory Freezer	February		1 lb.	36x2
Peas, Southern	60 - 70	Pinkeye Purple Hull, Mississippi Purple, Mississippi Silver, Freeze Green	April-July		½ lb.	42x4-6
Peppers	65 - 85	Hot: Cayenne, Super Chili, Habanero, Hungarian Wax, Jalapeno Sweet: Sweet Banana, Gypsy, Keystone Resistant Giant, Golden Summer, Chocolate Beauty, Purple Beauty, King Arthur, Bell King	April 1-May 10***	July***	50 plants	36x24
Potatoes, Irish	70 - 90	Red LaSoda, Red Pontiac, Sebago, Superior	February	August 1-15	12 lbs.	36x12
Potatoes, Sweet	90 - 120	Beauregard, Georgia Red, Red Jewel	April 15-June 15***		100 plants	36x12
Pumpkins	90 - 110	Autumn Gold, Connecticut Field, Baby Bear, Jack Be Little, Peak A Boo, Spookie	July		1 oz.	72-96 x 36-60
Radishes	25 - 30	Cherry Belle, Scarlet Globe, White Icicle	Feb. 1-April 1	Sept. 1-Oct. 15	½ oz.	24x1
Rutabagas	90 - 120	American Purple Top		July	½ oz.	36x6-12
Spinach	40 - 45	Bloomsdale Longstanding	Feb. 15-Mar. 15	September	1 oz.	30x2-3
Squash, Summer	40 - 55	Dixie, Yellow Crookneck, Yellow Straightneck, Cocozelle, Freedom III, Lemondrop (straightneck), Prelude III (crookneck), Sundrops, Tivoli; Zucchini: Elite	April	August 1-15	1 oz.	36x15
Squash, Winter	85 - 100	Acorn, Cream of the Crop, Winter Butternut, Vegetable Spaghetti Squash	April	July 15-Aug. 1	½ oz.	60x36
Swiss Chard	60 - 70	Fordhook Giant, Rhubarb Chard	Feb.15-Mar.15	September	½ oz.	36x15

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Tomatoes	70 - 90	Atkinson, Better Boy, Big Beef, Celebrity, Husky Gold, Monte Carlo, Small Fry and Sweet Chelsea (cherries)	April***	July***	35-50 plants	60x24-36
Turnips	40 - 60	Purpletop, Shogoin, Just Right (roots)	Feb. 1-April 1	Aug. 10-Oct. 1	¼ oz.	30x2
Watermelons	80 - 90	Bush Sugar Baby, Charleston Gray, Crimson Sweet, AU Golden Producer (yellow meat)	April	June 15-30	½ oz.	96x96

*Days to maturity are from planting seed or setting transplants in the garden. The number of days will vary depending on cultivar (some mature earlier than others), temperature, and general growing conditions. Check catalogs for individual maturity time.

**Cultivars listed in this chart represent a few of those recommended for Alabama. There are many other good cultivars that are worthy of trial in the home garden.

***Transplant.



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