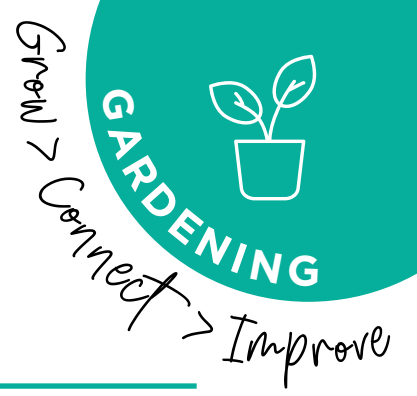




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Vegies to plant in Summer



Finally we are having some warm weather in Victoria – so what vegetables can be planted in summer? The first thing is to decide what you want to grow. I think this is as simple as asking yourself what do you like and want to eat. As I am limited on space I also think about what is readily available at the shops and what it costs – for example, cherry tomatoes are generally more expensive to purchase than other tomatoes. I must admit I am not always successful at growing vegetables; however, I do enjoy planting and watching, hoping for the produce to ripen.

I also suggest, if you are able, to stagger your planting times so you don't have a glut of vegetables (although your family and friends will enjoy your glut).

Vegetables can be planted in planter boxes or garden beds. Ensure they have access to 6-8 hours of sunlight. Also, make sure the soil is moist and the plants have enough water. It only takes one hot day to stunt or stop the growth.

When planting root vegetables it is best to plant as seed. The roots can get damaged when planting as a seedling. This is also the case for peas and beans: they don't like being moved.

Seedlings are generally more expensive than seed; however, they establish faster and hopefully produce vegetables faster.



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Seeds
Seedlings
Seeds or seedlings

	Planting time			
Species	December	January	February	March
Amaranth	Amaranth	Amaranth	Amaranth	Amaranth
Basil	Basil			
Beans	Beans - Climbing & Bush	Beans - Climbing & Bush		Broad Beans
Beetroot	Beetroot	Beetroot	Beetroot	Beetroot
Broccoli	Broccoli	Broccoli	Broccoli	Broccoli
Brussel Sprouts	Brussel Sprouts	Brussel Sprouts	Brussel Sprouts	Brussel Sprouts
Cabbage	Cabbage (tight-headed)		Cabbage (tight-headed)	Cabbage (tight & loose headed)
Capsicum	Capsicum			
Carrot	Carrot	Carrot	Carrot	Carrot
Chicory	Chicory			
Chilli	Chilli			
Chives	Chives	Chives	Chives	Chives
Coriander	Coriander	Coriander	Coriander	Coriander
Cucumber	Cucumber	Cucumber	Cucumber	
Eggplant	Eggplant			
Endive			Endive	Endive
Kohlrabi	Kohlrabi	Kohlrabi	Kohlrabi	Kohlrabi
Leek	Leek	Leek	Leek	Leek
Lettuce	Lettuce	Lettuce	Lettuce	Lettuce
Mustard Greens	Mustard Greens	Mustard Greens	Mustard Greens	Mustard Greens



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	Planting time			
Species	December	January	February	March
Okra	Okra	Okra	Okra	
Onion			Onion	Onion
Oregano	Oregano	Oregano	Oregano	Oregano
Parsley	Parsley	Parsley	Parsley	Parsley
Parsnip	Parsnip	Parsnip	Parsnip	Parsnip
Peas/ Snow Peas	Peas/ Snow Peas		Peas/ Snow Peas	
Potatoes	Potatoes			
Pumpkin	Pumpkin	Pumpkin	Pumpkin	
Radish	Radish	Radish	Radish	Radish
Rocket	Rocket	Rocket	Rocket	Rocket
Rockmelon	Rockmelon		Rockmelon	Rockmelon
Salsify	Salsify		Salsify	Salsify
Shallot			Shallot	Shallot
Silverbeet	Silverbeet	Silverbeet	Silverbeet	Silverbeet
Squash	Squash	Squash	Squash	
Sunflower	Sunflower	Sunflower	Sunflower	
Swede	Swede	Swede	Swede	Swede
Sweet Corn	Sweet Corn	Sweet Corn	Sweet Corn	
Sweet Potato			Sweet Potato	
Tomato	Tomato		Tomato	
Turnip	Turnip	Turnip	Turnip	Turnip
Watermelon	Watermelon		Watermelon	
Zucchini	Zucchini		Zucchini	



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