

New Braunfels Planting Dates—Spring Garden

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Table 3—New Braunfels Planting Dates—Spring Garden							
Vegetable	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
Winter							
Asparagus (crowns)		██████████	██████████				
Beet (direct sow)			██████████	██████████			
Broccoli (start seedlings)	⇄		██████████	██████████			
Cabbage (start seedlings)	⇄		██████████	██████████			
Carrot (direct sow)			██████████	██████████			
Cauliflower (start seedlings)	⇄		██████████	██████████			
Chard, Swiss (either)	⇄		██████████	██████████	██████████		
Collards (Kale) (direct sow)	⇄		██████████	██████████			
Kohlrabi (start seedlings)	⇄		██████████	██████████			
Lettuce (either)	⇄		██████████	██████████			
Mustard (direct sow)		██████████	██████████	██████████			
Onion (transplants or sets)		██████████	██████████				
Peas, Sugar Snap/Snow (sow)		██████████	██████████				
Potato, Irish (seed piece)			██████████	██████████			
Radish (direct sow)		██████████	██████████				
Spinach (direct sow)			██████████	██████████			
Turnip (direct sow)			██████████	██████████			
Spring							
Beans, Lima Bush (direct sow)				██████████	██████████		
Beans, Lima Pole (direct sow)				██████████	██████████		
Beans, Snap Bush (direct sow)				██████████	██████████		
Beans, Snap Pole (direct sow)				██████████	██████████		
Cantaloupe (direct sow)					██████████	██████████	
Corn, Sweet (direct sow)					██████████	██████████	
Cucumbers (direct sow)					██████████	██████████	
Eggplant (start seedlings)		⇄			██████████	██████████	
Okra (direct sow)					██████████	██████████	██████████
Peas, Southern (direct sow)					██████████	██████████	██████████
Peppers (start seedlings)		⇄			██████████	██████████	██████████
Potato, Sweet (slips)					██████████	██████████	██████████
Pumpkin (direct sow)					██████████	██████████	██████████
Squash, Summer (direct sow)					██████████	██████████	██████████
Squash, Winter (direct sow)					██████████	██████████	██████████
Tomato (start seedlings)		⇄			██████████	██████████	
Watermelon (direct sow)					██████████	██████████	

 Freeze-tolerant vegetables
  Freeze-sensitive vegetables
 Start seeding vegetables in trays under lights.

*The date for beginning seedlings is dependent on the dates you plan to plant your garden. Usually tomatoes, eggplants, and peppers take about 8 weeks before being ready to plant in the garden. Other vegetables such as broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, spinach, etc., may take only 6-8 weeks before being ready to plant. You must decide exactly when you should seed the transplants depending on your final planting date.

New Braunfels Planting Dates—Fall Garden

Do the math for fall gardens—When choosing seeds to plant select fast maturing varieties and do the math. The average first freeze date for the Hill Country is November 10 and for New Braunfels is November 24. Check how many days are required for the selected seeds to mature and be harvested, and count back from the first fall freeze to ensure the plant has time to mature and produce. Transplants used for vegetable gardens will give an earlier and extended harvest. This helps to ensure no loss of crops due to an early freeze. The planting dates for fall on this page and next can also help.

Blue Lake Bush Beans

Maturity Days 55
 Days to Harvest 14
 Total 69

Avg. Freeze Nov 24
 Count Back 69
 Equals September 15

Conclusion: Plant bush snap beans between September 1 and 15 to harvest before the first freeze.

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Table 4—New Braunfels Planting Dates—Fall Gardens

Vegetable	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Early Fall Planting								
Beets (direct sow)					██████████	██████████	██████████	
Broccoli (start seedlings)			↔	↔	██████████	██████████	██████████	
Brussels Sprouts (start seedlings)			↔	↔	██████████	██████████	██████████	
Cabbage (start seedlings)			↔	↔	██████████	██████████	██████████	
Carrot (direct sow)					██████████	██████████	██████████	
Cauliflower (start seedlings)			↔		██████████	██████████	██████████	
Chard, Swiss (direct sow)					██████████	██████████	██████████	
Collards (direct sow)					██████████	██████████	██████████	
Garlic (cloves)						██████████	██████████	██████████
Kohlrabi (start seedlings)			↔		██████████	██████████	██████████	
Lettuce (either)				↔	██████████	██████████	██████████	██████████
Mustard (direct sow)						██████████	██████████	██████████
Onion (seed pieces)						██████████	██████████	
Radish (direct sow)						██████████	██████████	██████████
Spinach (either)				↔		██████████	██████████	██████████
Turnip (direct sow)						██████████	██████████	██████████
Summer Planting								
Beans, Lima Bush (direct sow)					██████████			
Beans, Snap Bush (direct sow)					██████████			
Corn, Sweet (direct sow)				██████████				
Cucumbers (direct sow)					██████████			
Eggplant (start seedlings)	↔		██████████	██████████				
Peas, Southern (direct sow)			██████████	██████████				
Peppers (start seedlings)	↔		██████████					
Potato, Irish (seed pieces)					██████████			
Pumpkin (direct sow)			██████████					
Squash, Summer (direct sow)			██████████	██████████				
Squash, Winter (direct sow)			██████████					
Tomato (start seedlings)	↔		██████████	██████████				
							Avg. First Freeze Date—November 24	

↔ Start seeding vegetables in trays under lights.