

Nueces County Vegetable Planting Guide



Vegetable	Source	Spacing between seeds (in.)	Row (in.)	Seed Depth (in.)	Planting Temperature	Days to Harvest	Plants per person (fresh)
Bean-Snap Bush Bean-Snap Pole	Seed	3-4 4-6	30-36 36-40	1-1½ 1-1½	Soil temp- 65° Blooming 70-75°	45-60 60-70	15-16 ft. 5-6 ft.
Beets	Seed	2	14-24	1	Ground temp - 45° Maturing temp - 60-65°	55-80	5-10 ft.
Broccoli	Transplant	14-24	24-36	½	Best 45-75°	60-80	3-4 pl.
Brussel Sprouts	Transplant	14-24	24-36	½	Best 60-75°	60-70	2-5 pl.
Cabbage	Transplant	14-24	24-36	½	Best 60-75°	75-80	3-4 pl.
Carrot	Seed	2	14-24	½	Best 40-85°	70-100	5-10 ft.
Cauliflower	Transplant	12-14	24-36	½	Before Daytime 75°	60-65	3-5 pl.
Corn, Sweet	Seed	9-12	24-36	1-2	Soil temp 60° Mature 68-75° No pollination at 90°	80-90	10-15 ft.
Cucumber	Seed	8-12	48-72	½	Soil temp 60° Night temp Above 55°	55-60	1-2 pl.
Eggplant	Transplant	18-24	30-36	½	Best 65-85°	70-90	2-3 pl.
Kohlrabi	Seed	4-6	14-24	½	Daytime below 70°	50-60	3-5 pl.
Leaf Lettuce Head Romaine	Seed	2-3 12-16	18-24 18-24	1/4 1/4	Below 80° Below 80°	50 65	5-15 ft.
Muskmelon (Cantaloupe)	Seed	24-36	60-96	1	Soil temp 60° Night temp above 55°	80-100	1-2 pl.
Mustard	Seed	6-12	14-24	½	Soil temp 60°	30-40	5-10 ft.
Okra	Seed	12-24	36-42	1	Soil temp 75-90°	70	2-4 ft.

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Peas, Blackeyed & Purple Hull	Seed	4-6	24-36	2-3	Soil temp - 65°	70-90	10-15 ft.
Peppers	Transplant	18-24	30-36	½	Soil temp 55-70° Sets fruit 60-80° Stops at 90°	65-80	3-5 pl.
Potato	Tuber pieces	10-15	30-36	4	Best 45-65° Tolerate 55-75° Growth stops at 85°	90-120	5-10 ft.
Radish	Seed	1	14-24	½	Soil temp 45° Daytime max 80°	20-30	3-5 ft.
Spinach	Seed	3-4	14-24	½	65° Daytime max - 75°	50-70	5-10 ft.
Squash - Summer -Winter	Seed	18-36 24-48	36-60 60-96	1-2 1-2	Soil temp 60° Hot weather crop	41-60	2-3 pl. 1-3 pl.
Tomato	Transplant	4-6	36-48	4-6	No blooms night temp above 90° Best Night 65° Day 80°	65-85	1-2 pl.
Turnip	Seed	2-3	14-24	½	40-80° max	30 Greens 60 Roots	5-10 ft. 5-10 ft.
Watermelon	Seed	36-72	72-96	1-2	Ground temp 60° Night temp above 55°	80-100	1-2 pl.

Note: Due to the high temperatures in the Coastal Bend we cannot always remain in the proper growing temperature range. However this does not mean we cannot grow all vegetables just that they may be smaller or not the best quality. Many transplants can be grown from seed, note planting depths and spacing and allow additional time for harvest. Transplants should be placed at the same soil depth as in the pot. Remove the top edges of peat pots to prevent roots drying out due to “wicking” action. Tomatoes are the only transplants that can be planted deeper because they will form additional roots along the stem. Transplants may also be available for the following vegetables: cucumber, squash, okra, muskmelon, watermelon.

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