

MAY

University of California Cooperative Extension Common Ground Garden Program http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/Common_Ground_Garden_Program

Sow seeds in May

lima and snap beans
beets
carrots
celery
chard
chicory
chives
corn
cucumbers
leeks
warm-season lettuces
melons
okras
green onions
peanuts
peppers
pumpkins
soybeans
warm-season spinach
squash
sweet potatoes
tomatoes

Plant in May

citrus trees
other tender trees

Sow or transplant in May

ageratum
alyssum
globe amaranth
asters
baby's breath
bachelor buttons
balsam
fibrous begonias
bougainvillea
calendula
campanula (bellflower,
canterbury bells)
candytuft
carnations
celosia (cockscombs)
chrysanthemums
clarkia (godetia)
cleome
coleus
columbine
coral bells
coreopsis
cosmos
English, gloriosa, marguerite
and Shasta daisies
dahlias

delphiniums
dianthus (sweet william, pinks)
forget-me-nots
four-o'clocks
foxgloves
gaillardia
gazania (African daisy)
gerbera (transvaal daisy)
geum
geraniums
hollyhocks
hostas (plantain lily)
impatiens
lantana
larkspur
linaria
lobelia
lunaria (honesty, money, silver
dollar plant)
marigolds
morning glories
nasturtiums
nicotiana
pansies
penstemon
periwinkle (vinca)
petunias
phlox
California, Iceland, Oriental
and Shirley poppies
portulaca (moss or sun rose)
potentilla (cinquefoil)
primroses (primula)
pyrethrums (painted daisy,
painted lady)
rosemary
salpiglossis
salvias
scabiosa (pincushion flower)
snapdragons
statice (sea lavender and other
colors)
stock
strawflowers
sunflowers
sweet peas
sweet williams
tithonia (Mexican sunflower)
verbena
violas
zinnias

Plant blooming shrubs in May, that need little water when they are mature, including:

abelia
bottlebrush
broom
ceanothus
cotoneaster
crape myrtle
grevillea
oleander
pittosporum
pyracantha
raphiolepis
rockrose (cistus)
strawberry bush

Plant fragrant shrubs in May

citrus
gardenia
jasmine
mock orange
roses

Start bulb-type plants in May

amaryllis
tuberous begonias
caladium
calla lily
canna lily
dahlia
gladiolus
tigridia
tuberose
watsonia

Plant in May

cacti
succulents
palms