



November Vegetable Planting Guide

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November is the time to remove any tomatoes that have not ripened and place them on a windowsill to finish ripening. Check out green tomato recipes. Clear out finished pepper plants, squash etc. Add compost to your vegetable beds and mulch any soil you intend to fallow over the winter to prevent erosion and compaction.

There is still time to plant a winter vegetable garden. Winter climate in our area has changed, no longer do we have the tule fogs that would linger for two to three weeks where temperatures would be in the 40s overnight and barely make 50s during the day. There have also been temperatures in the months of January and February that have been quite spring like. Many of the winter vegetables (broccoli, cauliflower, carrots, onions) need 'vernalization' which is a period of cool temperatures, 48°F or below, followed by a growth period, this induces the flowering mechanism of the plants. If vernalization is inadequate plants will produce leaf growth but minimal flower stimulation resulting in, for example, a broccoli plant producing small or few flower stalks for our tables. Winter vegetables planted in November and December will most likely have an adequate vernalization period.

YOLO COUNTY VEGETABLES RECOMMENDED FOR NOVEMBER

Vegetable	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4
Beans (Fava)	Seed	Seed	Seed	Seed
Peas	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants
Spinach	Seed	Seed	Seed	Seed

ADDITIONAL SACRAMENTO AREA RECOMMENDED VEGETABLES FOR NOVEMBER

Vegetable	WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3	WEEK 4
Arugula	Seed	Seed	Seed	Seed
Bok Choy	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants
Broccoli	Transplants	Transplants	Transplants	Transplants
Broccoli (Raabe)	Seed	Seed	Seed	Seed
Cabbage	Transplants	Transplants	Transplants	Transplants
Carrots	Seed	Seed	Seed	Seed
Cauliflower	Transplants	Transplants	Transplants	Transplants
Chard (Swiss)	Seed	Seed	Seed	Seed
Cilantro	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants
Corn Salad (Mache)	Seed	Seed	Seed	Seed
Cress	Seed	Seed	Seed	Seed
Fennel (Florence)	Transplants	Transplants	Transplants	Transplants
Garlic	Cloves	Cloves	Cloves	Cloves
Kale	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants
Kohlrabi	Transplants	Transplants	Transplants	Transplants
Leeks	Seed	Seed	Seed	Seed
Lettuce (Leaf)	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants
Mustard	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants
Onion (Bulbing)	Transplants	Transplants	Transplants	Transplants
Onion (Multiplier)	Divide clumps	Divide clumps	Divide clumps	Divide clumps
Onion (Scallions)	Seed	Seed	Seed	Seed
Onion (Sets)	Sets	Sets	Sets	Sets
Radicchio	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants	Seed & Transplants
Radish	Seed	Seed	Seed	Seed
Shallots	Bulbs	Bulbs	Bulbs	Bulbs
Turnips	Seed	Seed	Seed	Seed