



UC Master
Gardeners
Napa County

COOL SEASON VEGGIES August 2019

Warm season vegetables grow best in daytime temperatures of 65 to 95 degrees, and are injured or killed by frost.

Cool season vegetables grow best in daytime temperatures of 55 to 75 degrees and tolerate (sometimes are improved by) short term frost.

Finding space while summer vegetables are still producing:

- Interplant under or between summer crops.
- Plant in containers.
- Sacrifice a portion of summer crop.
- Utilize vertical support for vining plants.

Strategies for timing the harvest:

- Plant in July/August for fall harvest.
- Plant in August/September for “stored in the ground” harvest through the winter.
- Plant late (August/September/October) for harvest next spring

Other strategies for extending the harvest:

- Plant varieties that are harvested multiple times rather than a single harvest (kale instead of cabbage).
- Plant varieties with different maturity dates (broccoli ready in 45 days vs 75 days).
- Succession plant the same crop (plant carrots at intervals).
- Plant seeds and plants at the same time (lettuce in August; Asian greens in February).

Recommended resource for pest management:

UC IPM Online: www.ipm.ucdavis.edu

UC Master Gardeners of Napa County:

Visit, call or complete the online form for assistance.

Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9am to 12pm, UC Cooperative Extension, (707) 253-4143, 1710 Soscol Avenue, Suite 4, Napa.

Online: <http://ucanr.org/sites/ucmgnapa/>

UC Vegetable Research and Information Center

<http://vric.ucdavis.edu/>