

TUI PLANTING CALENDAR

Across New Zealand there are differences in climate and soils. Use this helpful planting calendar to see when you should plant common homegrown vegetables in your region. If you are planning to grow from seeds rather than seedlings, allow an extra 3–4 weeks for planting.

VEGETABLE	WHEN TO PLANT											
	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Asparagus							🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱
Basil	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱					🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Beetroot	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱	🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Bok choy			🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱		
Broad bean		🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱					
Broccoli	🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱
Capsicum	🌱	🌱						🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Carrot	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱				🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱
Cauliflower		🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱			🌱	🌱	🌱		
Celery		🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱	🌱	🌱	🌱	🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	
Coriander	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱	🌱	🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Courgette	🌱 🌱	🌱						🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Cucumber	🌱 🌱							🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Eggplant	🌱	🌱	🌱					🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Garlic				🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱				
Kale	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Lettuce	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Mesclun	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Onion		🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱	🌱	🌱	🌱
Parsley	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Pea				🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱		
Potato	🌱	🌱	🌱					🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱
Pumpkin & squash	🌱	🌱						🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Radish	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Rocket	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Silverbeet	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Spinach	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Spring onion	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱					🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Sweetcorn	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱					🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱
Tomato	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱						🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱	🌱 🌱 🌱

Reference: Based on content from The Tui NZ Vegetable Garden third edition, by Rachel Vogan.



Key:

- 🌱 = Northern region
- 🌱 = Middle region
- 🌱 = Southern region

For the full Tui Planting Calendar visit tuigarden.co.nz/page/planting-calendar



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VEGETABLE GROWING GUIDE

GROW A BUMPER CROP OF DELICIOUS VEGES WITH TUI'S 4 STEPS OF VEGETABLE CARE

TUI'S 4 STEPS OF VEGETABLE CARE

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Whether your vege patch is bursting with salad greens for summer barbeques, or carrots and leeks for hearty winter soups, nothing beats the satisfaction of 'growing your own'. Plant in garden beds, pots and containers, and you'll be harvesting a bumper crop of homegrown veges in no time.

PREPARE

Choose a spot that is sunny, sheltered from the wind and easy to access for harvesting and watering. Like building a house a good foundation is the key to success in your garden. Soil is the backbone to any good garden, the better the soil, the more successful your garden will be. If you are starting with an existing garden bed dig in organic matter like sheep pellets and **Tui Compost** to your soil. Then you can add a layer of **Tui Vegetable Mix**, a high quality natural-based planting mix containing the right blend of nutrients to provide your veges with the best possible start and sustained growth throughout the season. If planting in pots and containers, fill with **Tui Vegetable Mix**.



PLANT

If you're a first time gardener, it is generally easier to grow from seedlings, rather than seeds. Although seeds are a more economical option. The best times to plant are early in the morning or late in the day, so the plants aren't exposed to the hot sun straight away. For the best chance of success plant vegetables at the appropriate time of year – see our planting calendar on the back.

Directions for planting in garden beds:

- Water plants thoroughly before planting and allow to drain.
- Dig a hole, approximately twice the depth and width of the root ball of your plant.
- Partly fill the hole with **Tui Vegetable Mix**.
- Gently loosen the root ball of your plant and position the plant in the centre of the hole.
- Fill in with **Tui Vegetable Mix**.
- Press soil gently around the base of the plant.
- Water your plant well.

Directions for planting in pots and containers:

- Water plants thoroughly before potting and allow to drain.
- Partly fill your container with **Tui Vegetable Mix**.
- Gently loosen the root ball of your plant and position the plant in the container.
- Fill your container with **Tui Vegetable Mix** up to 3cm from the top.
- Tap the container gently on the ground to settle the mix.
- Press soil gently around the base of the plant.
- Water your plant well.

NOURISH

Feed your plants and they will feed you. Plants use nutrients from the soil as they grow, so replenishing the nutrients ensures your veges grow to their full potential. For vegetables planted in garden beds feed with **Tui Vegetable Food** every four weeks during key growth periods for repeat growth and a continuous supply. **Tui Vegetable Food** is a rich formulation of fertilisers including dolomite, blood and bone and sheep manure dust. It is designed to encourage healthy vegetable growth and microbial and earthworm activity in the soil. If planting in pots and containers use **Tui NovaTec Premium** fertiliser. A fortnightly dose with a seaweed based plant tonic like **Seasol** will help your veges flourish. It is important to keep your garden regularly watered too, as a well watered, well nourished vegetable garden will have a better chance of keeping insect pests and diseases at bay.



PROTECT

The weather, weeds, pest insects and diseases can all impact on the success of your garden. Protect your plants from the elements with layers of **Tui Pea Straw Mulch** or **Tui Mulch & Feed**, to help keep their roots moist and to keep your garden weed free. Be vigilant and stop unwanted insects and diseases from ruining your plants. The **Tui Plant Protection range** will help you put a stop to any problems that arise. Aphids, whitefly, scale and two-spotted mite are common insects which effect vegetables, and can be controlled with **Tui Insect Control for Fruit & Veges**. Treat powdery mildew on vegetables with **Tui Disease Control for Fruit & Veges**. Lay **Tui Quash** slug & snail control every few weeks to stop slugs and snails from munching on your carefully tended vegetables.

Tui Tips:

- When planting several vegetable plants at once, it is just as easy to add a layer of **Tui Vegetable Mix** to the whole area before planting.
- Your veges are ready to harvest when they are about the size you see them in the supermarket.
- Leafy crops like spinach can be harvested a leaf at a time – so you can pick as you need.

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