



Basic Garden Rules (please see Rules and Regulations for full list)

- The gardens are open 7:00am until dusk from April 1st - October 31st.
- Gardens must be in cultivated status by June 1st.
- Crops and structures over six feet tall are not allowed in plots. Please give consideration to others by planting tall crops where they will have the least impact on neighboring gardeners.
- Gardeners are responsible for maintaining the walkways around their plot(s).
- Common-sense list of No's:
 - No pets
 - No motorized vehicles
 - No littering
 - No loud music
 - No invasive plants (i.e. mint any variety)
 - No taking food that is not yours
- At the end of the growing season, gardeners are responsible for “putting the garden to bed” and leaving the plots as they found them.



Watering Your Garden

- Rain Barrels will be located in the gardens. Please bring your own bucket or watering can.
- Water deeply every few days around the base of your plant.
- A hose reel will be located near the water spigot on the building next to the community garden. This may be used to fill the rain barrels as needed.
- If you need to use the hose, please ensure the water is turned off and the hose is back on the reel when you are finished. Please do not leave the hose or running water unattended.

Protecting Your Plot from Animals

- You may create a mesh or chicken wire cover for your plot to protect it from critters. Remember to make it removable so that you can easily maintain your plot.
- If have concerns and are wondering what is eating your plants, deer usually pull up the whole plant and rabbits usually leave little nibbles.





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Deerfield Township Resources

Deerfield Parks & Recreation
513.701.6958
parksinfo@deerfieldtwp.com
www.DeerfieldRec.com

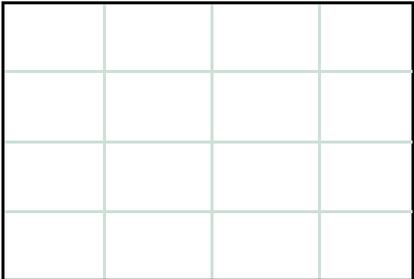


Books Recommended by volunteer master gardener

Square Foot Gardening by Mel Bartholomew
The Kitchen Garden by Alan Buckingham

Setting Up Your Square Foot Garden

- Divide your plot into 16 equal squares (12 x 12 inches).
- Use string or wood to create your grid. This may remain on all season.
- Label what you plant in each section. (Depending on the plant spacing required, you may have room for multiple plants in a single square section.)
- Use sequential planting (planting the same crop in two week intervals) so that you have a continual harvest and your vegetables are ready to pick at different times.
- Organic fertilizers are preferred. Use only a small amount around the base of the plant. Too much fertilizer can produce “leggy” plants with minimal fruit.
- Planting marigolds in the corners of your plot may help deter harmful insects.





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March Planting Guide

Vegetable Seeds to Sow Indoors

Brussel sprouts	Cucumbers	Kohlrabi	Sprouting Broccoli
Cabbage	Eggplant	Lettuces	Sweet Potatoes
Chilies	Fennel	Peppers	Tomatoes

Vegetable Seeds to Sow Outdoors

Broad Beans	Leeks	Parsnips	Spinach
Cabbage	Lettuces	Peas	Sprouting Broccoli
Green Onions	Onions		

Vegetable Seeds to Sow Outdoors Under Cover

Arugala	Carrots	Lettuce	Salad Leaves
Beets	Cucumbers	Radishes	Turnips

Vegetable and Fruit Plants to Plant Outdoors

Asparagus	Grapevines	Potatoes	Shalot Sets
Blackberries	Onion	Raspberries	Spinach
Cauliflower	Peas	Rhubarb Sets	Strawberries
Garlic			



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April Planting Guide

Vegetable Seeds to Sow Indoors

Cabbage	Corn	Eggplant	Kale
Cauliflower	Cucumbers	French Beans	Peppers
Chilies			

Vegetable Seeds to Sow Outdoors

Beets	Cauliflower	Parsnips	Spring Onions
Broad Beans	Kohlrabi	Peas	Sprouting Broccoli
Brussel Sprouts	Leeks	Radishes	Swiss Chard
Cabbage	Lettuce	Spinach	Turnips
Carrots	Onions		

Vegetable Seeds to Sow Outdoors Under Cover

Arugala	Cucumbers	Salad Leaves	Turnips
Beets	Lettuce		

Vegetable and Fruit Plants to Plant Outdoors

Asparagus	Gherkins	Onions	Radishes
Broccoli	Grapevines	Peas	Runner Beans
Container Fruit Trees	Kale	Potatoes	Strawberries
Corn	Kohlrabi	Pumpkin	Tomatoes
French Beans	Lettuce		



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Garden Tasks

- Protect your plants from late frost.
- Harden off seedlings by placing outside for short periods of time. Gradually increase time outside.
- Plant last of seed potatoes.

Vegetable Seeds to Sow Indoors

Broccoli	Endive	Peppers	Yellow Squash
Cabbage	Gherkins	Pumpkins	Winter Squash
Cauliflower	Kale	Runner Beans	Zucchini
Chilies			

Vegetable Seeds to Sow Outdoors Under Cover

Beets	Cucumbers	French Beans	Runner Beans
Corn			

Vegetables to Plant Outdoors

Arugula	Cauliflower	Lettuces	Rutabaga
Beets	Celery	Peas	Spinach
Broccoli	Cucumber	Radish	Swiss Chard
Brussel Sprouts	Green Onions	Rhubarb	Tomatoes
Cabbage	Kale	Runner Beans	Turnips
Carrots			