

# EASY GROW

## Vegetable Seedling Guide

The logo for Floriana, featuring the word "FLORIANA" in a white, serif font with a stylized lowercase "f" at the beginning, set against a black rectangular background.

*If home grown tastes better, then Floriana Easy Grow tastes best . . .*

*Floriana's expert growers source the best quality varieties from the finest sources to bring you healthy, top quality seedlings that get off to the best start in life. . . so you can reap the rewards of your labours sooner.*

*This handy vegetable seedling planting guide gives you all the information you need to plan your vegie patch year round including approximate weeks to harvest.*

## Vegetable Growing Tips

### *Doing the groundwork. . .*

An enjoyable, productive vegie patch begins with good planning. Vegetables thrive in soils enriched with organic matter and should be topped up with mulch after planting and watering in. Applying approximately 5cm of organic mulch such as pea straw or Lucerne will help to retain soil moisture and to add additional nutrients. Many popular vegetables such as tomatoes, capsicums, lettuce and silverbeet may also be grown successfully in pots. For best results, plant into a large container using a new supply of an Australian Standards potting mix suitable for vegetable growing. As with most things in life it pays to read the 'manual' first, so refer to plant labels for information about the best methods for planting, and caring for your new plants.

### *Location, location, location. . .*

Choose a location that receives at least 5 hours of full sun daily. If you have no such position, choose varieties that can tolerate semi-shade such as chives, parsley and spinach. Good air circulation is necessary to reduce the occurrence of pests and diseases. Plant labels provide information as to the appropriate plant spacing.

### *Succession planning. . .*

There are only so many cabbages, leeks or indeed anything else that you can eat at any one time. Consider planting your crops at approximately fortnightly intervals, so that you can harvest mature vegetables safe in the knowledge that there will be more on the way in following weeks.

### *Birds and the bees. . .*

Bees and other insects are vital for pollinating your vegetables and increasing their productivity. Bright flowering annuals will attract them into your vegetable patch. Floriana Natural Beauty seedlings including marigolds and nasturtiums (available in Spring), and Calendula English Marigold (Autumn) are ideal for this purpose. Keeping the birds (and possums) from enjoying your fruiting vegetables before you do is as easy as installing some bird netting and will repay your investment many times over before the season is over.

### *Any questions . . . ?*

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Variety	Plant	Weeks To Harvest	Variety	Plant	Weeks to Harvest
<b>BASIL</b>			<b>LETTUCE cont.</b>		
Spicy Globe	Spr-Aut	6-8	Mignonette Red	All Year	6-8
Sweet Large Leaf	Spr-Aut	6-8	Mignonette Mixed	All Year	6-8
<b>FRENCH BEANS</b>			Mini Cos Mix	All Year	6-8
Butterbean	Spr-Aut	8-10	Tuscan Salad Mix	All Year	6-8
Green	Spr-Aut	8-10	<b>ONIONS</b>		
<b>BEETROOT</b>			Brown	Mar-Sept	18-26
Beetroot	All Year	8-10	Red Odourless	Apr-Oct	18-26
Rainbow	All Year	8-10	White Globe	Mar-Jul	18-26
<b>BROCCOLI</b>			<b>PAK CHOI</b>		
Green King	All Year	10-12	Pak Choi Mix	Mar-Nov	7-8
Magic Dwarf	All Year	10-12	<b>PARSLEY</b>		
<b>BRUSSELS SPROUTS</b>			Afro	All Year	6-8
Brussels Sprouts	Jan-Mar	16-20	Italian	All Year	6-8
<b>CABBAGE</b>			<b>PEAS</b>		
Chinese	Spr-Aut	6-8	Garden Pea	Spr-Aut	6-8
Savoy King	All Year	11-14	Honeypod	Aug-Apr	5-6
Sugar Sweet	All Year	12	Snowpea	Aug-Apr	8-10
<b>CAPSICUM</b>			<b>PUMPKIN</b>		
Californian Wonder	Sept-Jan	11-14	Butternut	Sept-Dec	16-18
Long Sweet Yellow	Sept-Jan	11-14	Golden Nugget	Sept-Dec	14-16
Sweet Mixed	Sept-Jan	11-14	Jap	Oct-Dec	14-16
<b>CAULIFLOWER</b>			Queensland Blue	Sept-Dec	20-24
CAULIFLOWER	All Year	12	<b>ROCKET</b>		
<b>CARROT</b>			ROCKET	All Year	3
Carrot Roly Poly	Spr-Aut	8-12	<b>ROCKMELON</b>		
<b>CELERY</b>			Rockmelon Sunrise	Oct-Dec	8-9
CELERY	All Year	16-20	<b>SILVERBEET</b>		
<b>CHILLI</b>			Fordhook Giant	All Year	5-8
Jalapeno	Sept-Jan	10-12	Rainbow Mix	All Year	5-8
Long Hot Cayenne	Sept-Jan	12-14	<b>SPINACH</b>		
<b>CHIVES</b>			SPINACH	All Year	5-8
Garlic	All Year	6-8	<b>SPRING ONION</b>		
Green	All Year	6-8	SPRING ONION	All Year	8-10
<b>CORIANDER</b>			<b>SQUASH</b>		
CORIANDER	Mar-Jul	6	Button	Sept-Dec	6-8
<b>CUCUMBER</b>			<b>SWEET CORN</b>		
Burpless Long Green	Sept-Dec	8-9	SWEET CORN	Sept-Jan	14-16
Crystal Apple	Sept-Dec	8-9	<b>TOMATO</b>		
Lebanese Continental	Sept-Dec	8-9	Bush Type	Aug-Nov	12
<b>EGGPLANT</b>			Grosse Lisse	Aug-Jan	12
Mini Lebanese	Sept-Dec	12-14	Mighty Red*	Aug-Jan	12
Supreme	Sept-Dec	14-16	Roma	Aug-Jan	12
<b>LEEK</b>			Rouge de Marmande	Aug-Nov	12
LEEK	All Year	12-14	Sweetbite	Aug-Jan	8-12
<b>LETTUCE</b>			<b>WATERMELON</b>		
Combination	All Year	6-8	Red Rocket	Oct-Dec	14-16
Cos	All Year	6-8	<b>ZUCCHINI</b>		
Iceberg	All Year	6-8	Black Jack	Sept-Dec	6-8
Lollo Rosso	All Year	6-8	Green Globe	Sept-Dec	6-8
Mignonette Green	All Year	6-8	*BPA Variety		

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