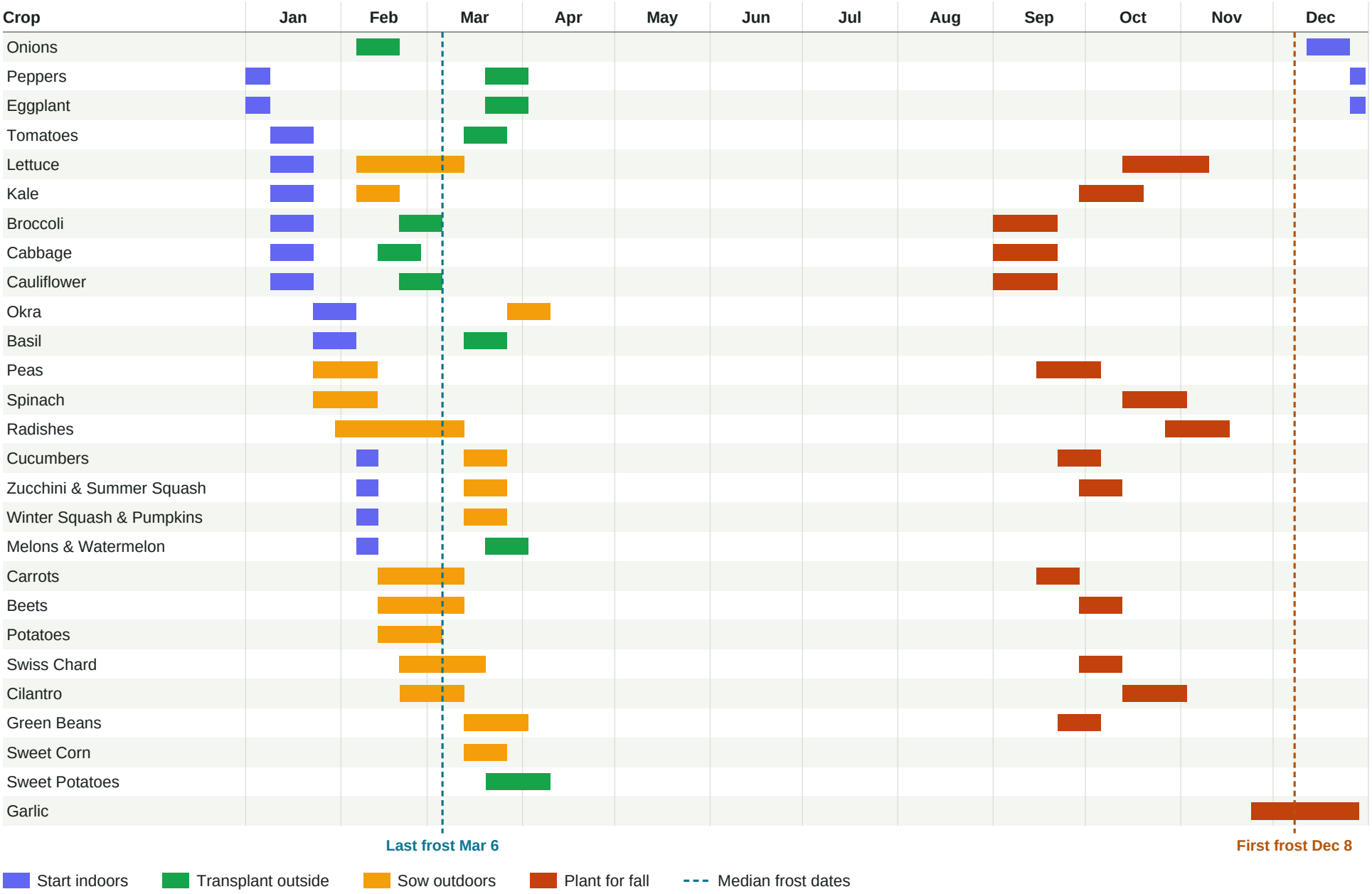
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Crop	Start indoors	Transplant outside	Sow outdoors	Plant for fall
Onions	Dec 12 – Dec 26	Feb 6 – Feb 20	—	—
Peppers	Dec 26 – Jan 9	Mar 20 – Apr 3	—	—
Eggplant	Dec 26 – Jan 9	Mar 20 – Apr 3	—	—
Tomatoes	Jan 9 – Jan 23	Mar 13 – Mar 27	—	—
Lettuce	Jan 9 – Jan 23	Feb 13 – Feb 27	Feb 6 – Mar 13	Oct 13 – Nov 10
Kale	Jan 9 – Jan 23	Feb 6 – Feb 20	Feb 6 – Feb 20	Sep 29 – Oct 20
Broccoli	Jan 9 – Jan 23	Feb 20 – Mar 6	—	Sep 1 – Sep 22
Cabbage	Jan 9 – Jan 23	Feb 13 – Feb 27	—	Sep 1 – Sep 22
Cauliflower	Jan 9 – Jan 23	Feb 20 – Mar 6	—	Sep 1 – Sep 22
Okra	Jan 23 – Feb 6	Mar 27 – Apr 10	Mar 27 – Apr 10	—
Basil	Jan 23 – Feb 6	Mar 13 – Mar 27	—	—
Peas	—	—	Jan 23 – Feb 13	Sep 15 – Oct 6
Spinach	—	—	Jan 23 – Feb 13	Oct 13 – Nov 3
Radishes	—	—	Jan 30 – Mar 13	Oct 27 – Nov 17
Cucumbers	Feb 6 – Feb 13	Mar 20 – Mar 27	Mar 13 – Mar 27	Sep 22 – Oct 6
Zucchini & Summer Squash	Feb 6 – Feb 13	—	Mar 13 – Mar 27	Sep 29 – Oct 13
Winter Squash & Pumpkins	Feb 6 – Feb 13	—	Mar 13 – Mar 27	—
Melons & Watermelon	Feb 6 – Feb 13	Mar 20 – Apr 3	—	—
Carrots	—	—	Feb 13 – Mar 13	Sep 15 – Sep 29
Beets	—	—	Feb 13 – Mar 13	Sep 29 – Oct 13
Potatoes	—	—	Feb 13 – Mar 6	—
Swiss Chard	—	—	Feb 20 – Mar 20	Sep 29 – Oct 13
Cilantro	—	—	Feb 20 – Mar 13	Oct 13 – Nov 3
Green Beans	—	—	Mar 13 – Apr 3	Sep 22 – Oct 6
Sweet Corn	—	—	Mar 13 – Mar 27	—
Sweet Potatoes	—	Mar 20 – Apr 10	—	—
Garlic	—	—	—	Nov 24 – Dec 29

Wait until after Apr 9 (only a 10% chance of frost) to plant out the most frost-tender crops: tomatoes, peppers, basil, melons.