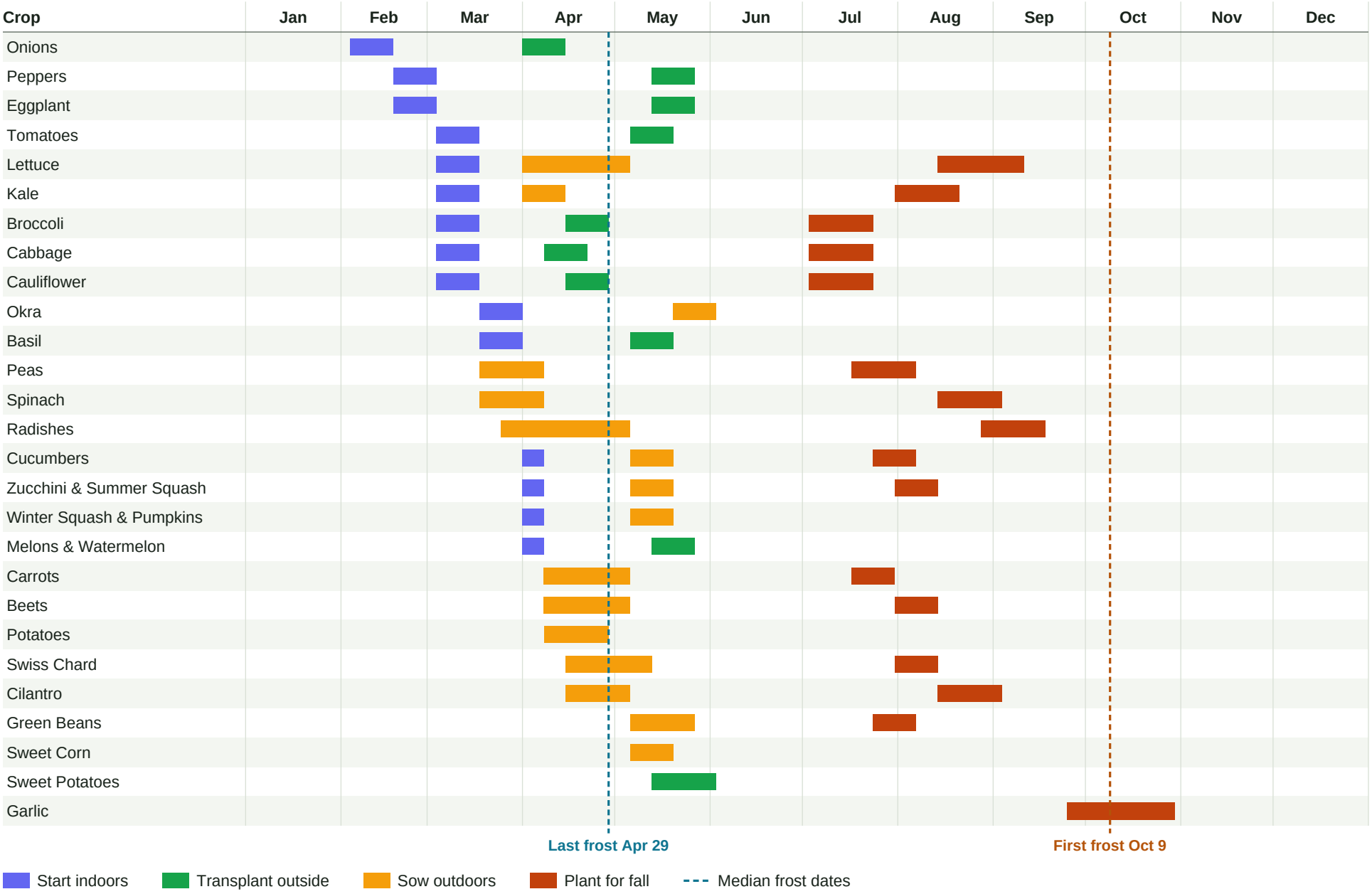
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| Crop | Start indoors | Transplant outside | Sow outdoors | Plant for fall |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Onions | Feb 4 – Feb 18 | Apr 1 – Apr 15 | — | — |
| Peppers | Feb 18 – Mar 4 | May 13 – May 27 | — | — |
| Eggplant | Feb 18 – Mar 4 | May 13 – May 27 | — | — |
| Tomatoes | Mar 4 – Mar 18 | May 6 – May 20 | — | — |
| Lettuce | Mar 4 – Mar 18 | Apr 8 – Apr 22 | Apr 1 – May 6 | Aug 14 – Sep 11 |
| Kale | Mar 4 – Mar 18 | Apr 1 – Apr 15 | Apr 1 – Apr 15 | Jul 31 – Aug 21 |
| Broccoli | Mar 4 – Mar 18 | Apr 15 – Apr 29 | — | Jul 3 – Jul 24 |
| Cabbage | Mar 4 – Mar 18 | Apr 8 – Apr 22 | — | Jul 3 – Jul 24 |
| Cauliflower | Mar 4 – Mar 18 | Apr 15 – Apr 29 | — | Jul 3 – Jul 24 |
| Okra | Mar 18 – Apr 1 | May 20 – Jun 3 | May 20 – Jun 3 | — |
| Basil | Mar 18 – Apr 1 | May 6 – May 20 | — | — |
| Peas | — | — | Mar 18 – Apr 8 | Jul 17 – Aug 7 |
| Spinach | — | — | Mar 18 – Apr 8 | Aug 14 – Sep 4 |
| Radishes | — | — | Mar 25 – May 6 | Aug 28 – Sep 18 |
| Cucumbers | Apr 1 – Apr 8 | May 13 – May 20 | May 6 – May 20 | Jul 24 – Aug 7 |
| Zucchini & Summer Squash | Apr 1 – Apr 8 | — | May 6 – May 20 | Jul 31 – Aug 14 |
| Winter Squash & Pumpkins | Apr 1 – Apr 8 | — | May 6 – May 20 | — |
| Melons & Watermelon | Apr 1 – Apr 8 | May 13 – May 27 | — | — |
| Carrots | — | — | Apr 8 – May 6 | Jul 17 – Jul 31 |
| Beets | — | — | Apr 8 – May 6 | Jul 31 – Aug 14 |
| Potatoes | — | — | Apr 8 – Apr 29 | — |
| Swiss Chard | — | — | Apr 15 – May 13 | Jul 31 – Aug 14 |
| Cilantro | — | — | Apr 15 – May 6 | Aug 14 – Sep 4 |
| Green Beans | — | — | May 6 – May 27 | Jul 24 – Aug 7 |
| Sweet Corn | — | — | May 6 – May 20 | — |
| Sweet Potatoes | — | May 13 – Jun 3 | — | — |
| Garlic | — | — | — | Sep 25 – Oct 30 |

Wait until after May 11 (only a 10% chance of frost) to plant out the most frost-tender crops: tomatoes, peppers, basil, melons.