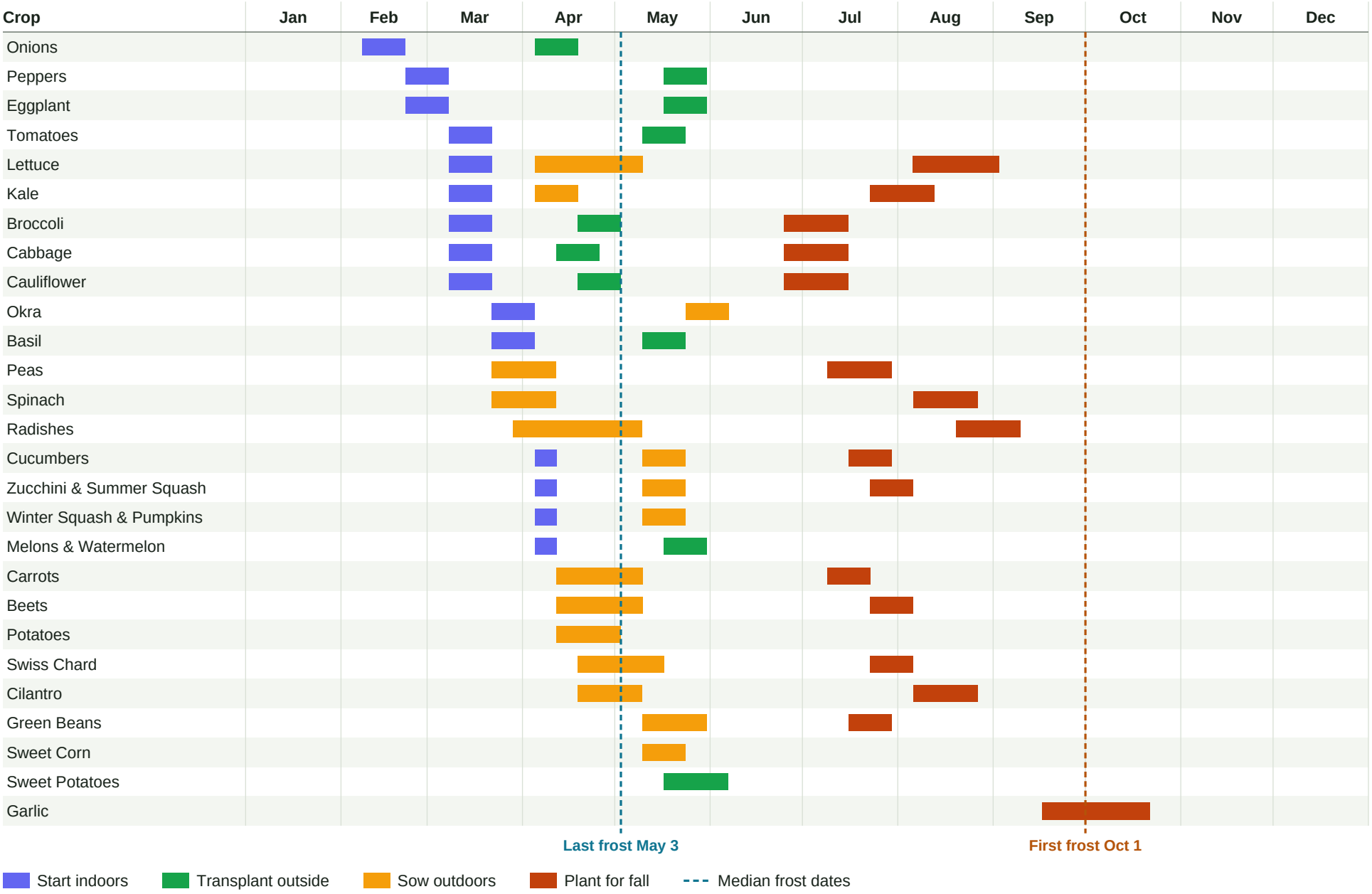
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| Crop | Start indoors | Transplant outside | Sow outdoors | Plant for fall |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Onions | Feb 8 – Feb 22 | Apr 5 – Apr 19 | — | — |
| Peppers | Feb 22 – Mar 8 | May 17 – May 31 | — | — |
| Eggplant | Feb 22 – Mar 8 | May 17 – May 31 | — | — |
| Tomatoes | Mar 8 – Mar 22 | May 10 – May 24 | — | — |
| Lettuce | Mar 8 – Mar 22 | Apr 12 – Apr 26 | Apr 5 – May 10 | Aug 6 – Sep 3 |
| Kale | Mar 8 – Mar 22 | Apr 5 – Apr 19 | Apr 5 – Apr 19 | Jul 23 – Aug 13 |
| Broccoli | Mar 8 – Mar 22 | Apr 19 – May 3 | — | Jun 25 – Jul 16 |
| Cabbage | Mar 8 – Mar 22 | Apr 12 – Apr 26 | — | Jun 25 – Jul 16 |
| Cauliflower | Mar 8 – Mar 22 | Apr 19 – May 3 | — | Jun 25 – Jul 16 |
| Okra | Mar 22 – Apr 5 | May 24 – Jun 7 | May 24 – Jun 7 | — |
| Basil | Mar 22 – Apr 5 | May 10 – May 24 | — | — |
| Peas | — | — | Mar 22 – Apr 12 | Jul 9 – Jul 30 |
| Spinach | — | — | Mar 22 – Apr 12 | Aug 6 – Aug 27 |
| Radishes | — | — | Mar 29 – May 10 | Aug 20 – Sep 10 |
| Cucumbers | Apr 5 – Apr 12 | May 17 – May 24 | May 10 – May 24 | Jul 16 – Jul 30 |
| Zucchini & Summer Squash | Apr 5 – Apr 12 | — | May 10 – May 24 | Jul 23 – Aug 6 |
| Winter Squash & Pumpkins | Apr 5 – Apr 12 | — | May 10 – May 24 | — |
| Melons & Watermelon | Apr 5 – Apr 12 | May 17 – May 31 | — | — |
| Carrots | — | — | Apr 12 – May 10 | Jul 9 – Jul 23 |
| Beets | — | — | Apr 12 – May 10 | Jul 23 – Aug 6 |
| Potatoes | — | — | Apr 12 – May 3 | — |
| Swiss Chard | — | — | Apr 19 – May 17 | Jul 23 – Aug 6 |
| Cilantro | — | — | Apr 19 – May 10 | Aug 6 – Aug 27 |
| Green Beans | — | — | May 10 – May 31 | Jul 16 – Jul 30 |
| Sweet Corn | — | — | May 10 – May 24 | — |
| Sweet Potatoes | — | May 17 – Jun 7 | — | — |
| Garlic | — | — | — | Sep 17 – Oct 22 |

Wait until after May 15 (only a 10% chance of frost) to plant out the most frost-tender crops: tomatoes, peppers, basil, melons.