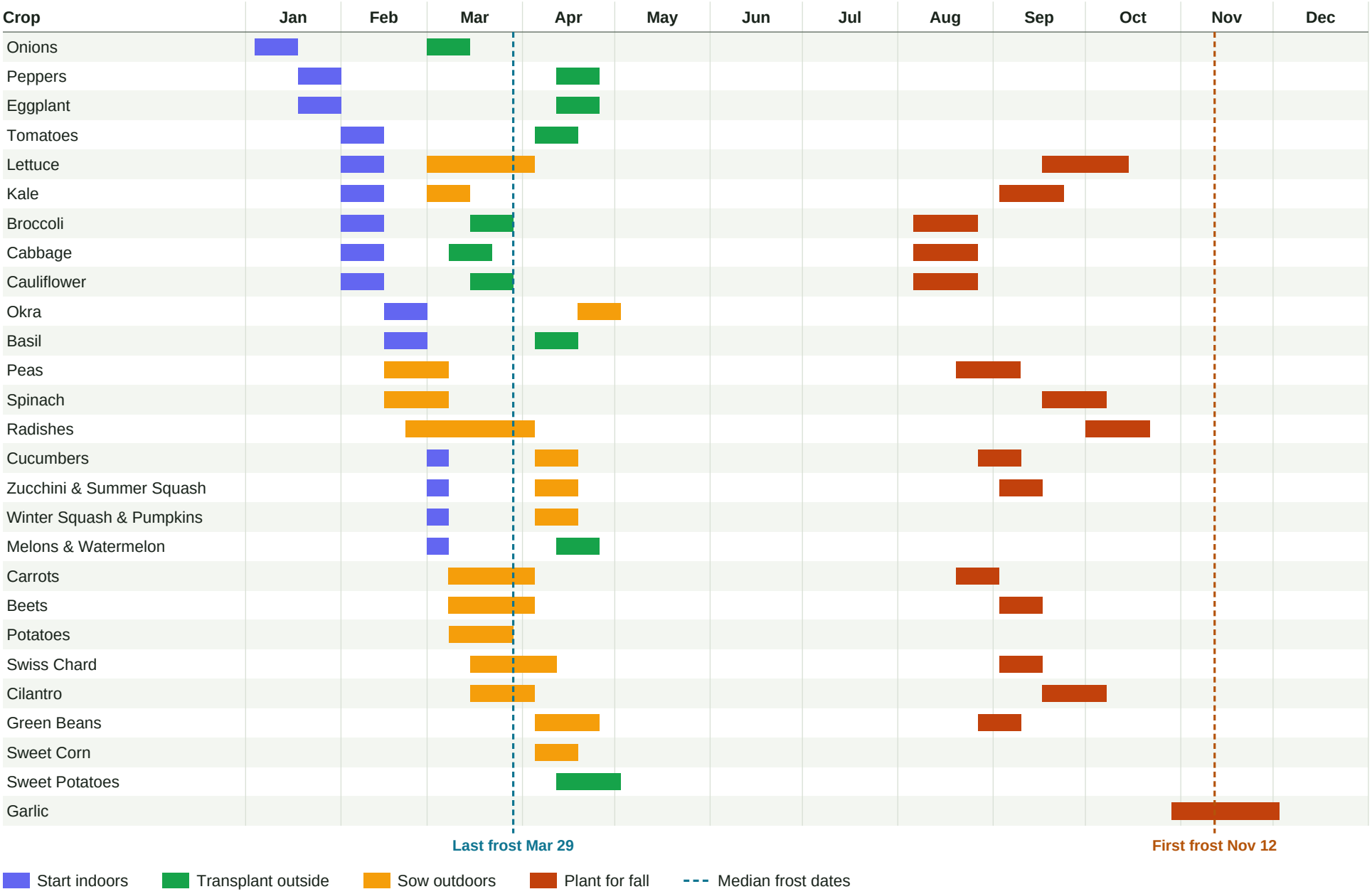
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Crop	Start indoors	Transplant outside	Sow outdoors	Plant for fall
Onions	Jan 4 – Jan 18	Mar 1 – Mar 15	—	—
Peppers	Jan 18 – Feb 1	Apr 12 – Apr 26	—	—
Eggplant	Jan 18 – Feb 1	Apr 12 – Apr 26	—	—
Tomatoes	Feb 1 – Feb 15	Apr 5 – Apr 19	—	—
Lettuce	Feb 1 – Feb 15	Mar 8 – Mar 22	Mar 1 – Apr 5	Sep 17 – Oct 15
Kale	Feb 1 – Feb 15	Mar 1 – Mar 15	Mar 1 – Mar 15	Sep 3 – Sep 24
Broccoli	Feb 1 – Feb 15	Mar 15 – Mar 29	—	Aug 6 – Aug 27
Cabbage	Feb 1 – Feb 15	Mar 8 – Mar 22	—	Aug 6 – Aug 27
Cauliflower	Feb 1 – Feb 15	Mar 15 – Mar 29	—	Aug 6 – Aug 27
Okra	Feb 15 – Mar 1	Apr 19 – May 3	Apr 19 – May 3	—
Basil	Feb 15 – Mar 1	Apr 5 – Apr 19	—	—
Peas	—	—	Feb 15 – Mar 8	Aug 20 – Sep 10
Spinach	—	—	Feb 15 – Mar 8	Sep 17 – Oct 8
Radishes	—	—	Feb 22 – Apr 5	Oct 1 – Oct 22
Cucumbers	Mar 1 – Mar 8	Apr 12 – Apr 19	Apr 5 – Apr 19	Aug 27 – Sep 10
Zucchini & Summer Squash	Mar 1 – Mar 8	—	Apr 5 – Apr 19	Sep 3 – Sep 17
Winter Squash & Pumpkins	Mar 1 – Mar 8	—	Apr 5 – Apr 19	—
Melons & Watermelon	Mar 1 – Mar 8	Apr 12 – Apr 26	—	—
Carrots	—	—	Mar 8 – Apr 5	Aug 20 – Sep 3
Beets	—	—	Mar 8 – Apr 5	Sep 3 – Sep 17
Potatoes	—	—	Mar 8 – Mar 29	—
Swiss Chard	—	—	Mar 15 – Apr 12	Sep 3 – Sep 17
Cilantro	—	—	Mar 15 – Apr 5	Sep 17 – Oct 8
Green Beans	—	—	Apr 5 – Apr 26	Aug 27 – Sep 10
Sweet Corn	—	—	Apr 5 – Apr 19	—
Sweet Potatoes	—	Apr 12 – May 3	—	—
Garlic	—	—	—	Oct 29 – Dec 3

Wait until after Apr 8 (only a 10% chance of frost) to plant out the most frost-tender crops: tomatoes, peppers, basil, melons.