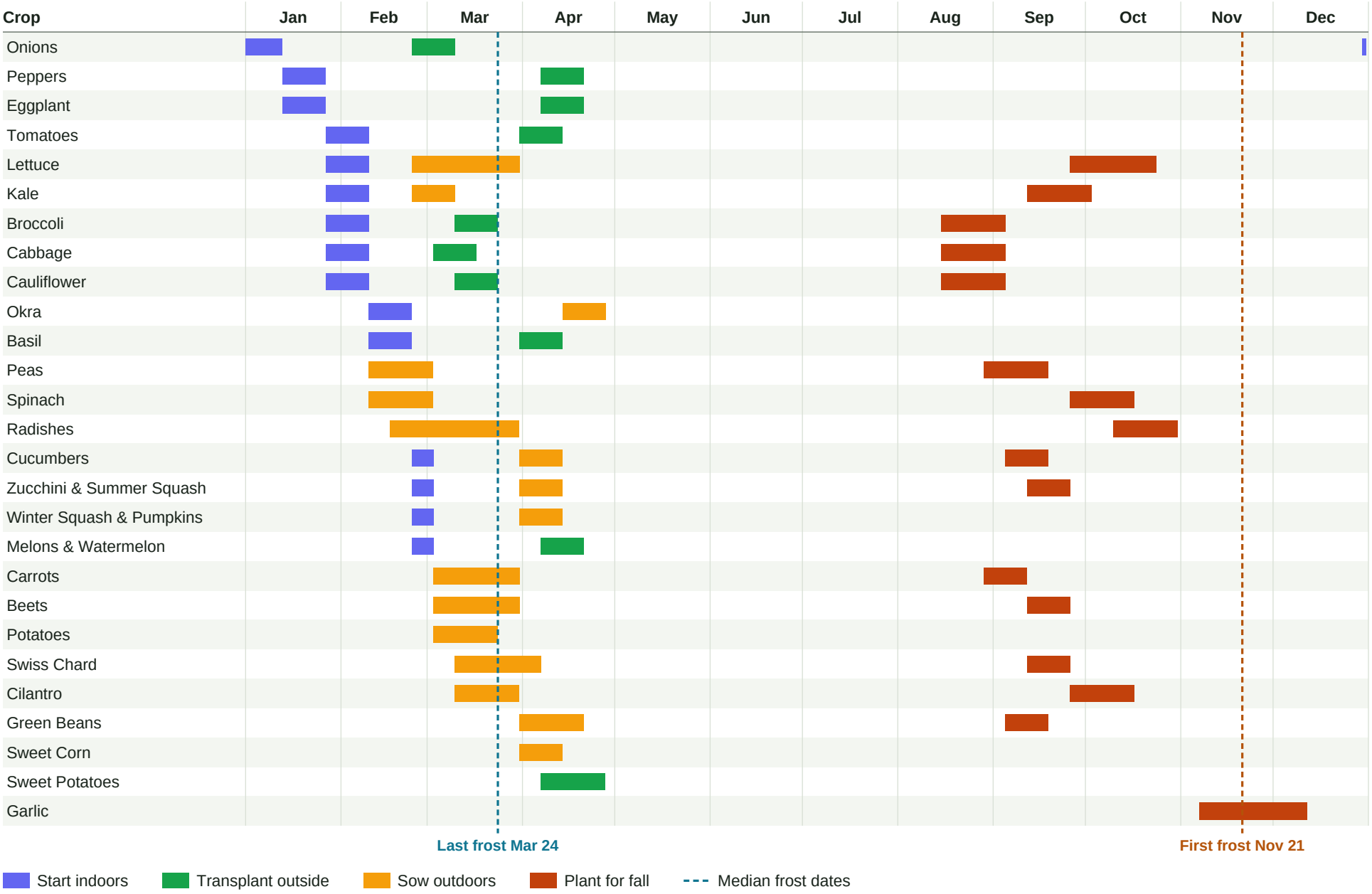
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| Crop | Start indoors | Transplant outside | Sow outdoors | Plant for fall |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Onions | Dec 30 – Jan 13 | Feb 24 – Mar 10 | — | — |
| Peppers | Jan 13 – Jan 27 | Apr 7 – Apr 21 | — | — |
| Eggplant | Jan 13 – Jan 27 | Apr 7 – Apr 21 | — | — |
| Tomatoes | Jan 27 – Feb 10 | Mar 31 – Apr 14 | — | — |
| Lettuce | Jan 27 – Feb 10 | Mar 3 – Mar 17 | Feb 24 – Mar 31 | Sep 26 – Oct 24 |
| Kale | Jan 27 – Feb 10 | Feb 24 – Mar 10 | Feb 24 – Mar 10 | Sep 12 – Oct 3 |
| Broccoli | Jan 27 – Feb 10 | Mar 10 – Mar 24 | — | Aug 15 – Sep 5 |
| Cabbage | Jan 27 – Feb 10 | Mar 3 – Mar 17 | — | Aug 15 – Sep 5 |
| Cauliflower | Jan 27 – Feb 10 | Mar 10 – Mar 24 | — | Aug 15 – Sep 5 |
| Okra | Feb 10 – Feb 24 | Apr 14 – Apr 28 | Apr 14 – Apr 28 | — |
| Basil | Feb 10 – Feb 24 | Mar 31 – Apr 14 | — | — |
| Peas | — | — | Feb 10 – Mar 3 | Aug 29 – Sep 19 |
| Spinach | — | — | Feb 10 – Mar 3 | Sep 26 – Oct 17 |
| Radishes | — | — | Feb 17 – Mar 31 | Oct 10 – Oct 31 |
| Cucumbers | Feb 24 – Mar 3 | Apr 7 – Apr 14 | Mar 31 – Apr 14 | Sep 5 – Sep 19 |
| Zucchini & Summer Squash | Feb 24 – Mar 3 | — | Mar 31 – Apr 14 | Sep 12 – Sep 26 |
| Winter Squash & Pumpkins | Feb 24 – Mar 3 | — | Mar 31 – Apr 14 | — |
| Melons & Watermelon | Feb 24 – Mar 3 | Apr 7 – Apr 21 | — | — |
| Carrots | — | — | Mar 3 – Mar 31 | Aug 29 – Sep 12 |
| Beets | — | — | Mar 3 – Mar 31 | Sep 12 – Sep 26 |
| Potatoes | — | — | Mar 3 – Mar 24 | — |
| Swiss Chard | — | — | Mar 10 – Apr 7 | Sep 12 – Sep 26 |
| Cilantro | — | — | Mar 10 – Mar 31 | Sep 26 – Oct 17 |
| Green Beans | — | — | Mar 31 – Apr 21 | Sep 5 – Sep 19 |
| Sweet Corn | — | — | Mar 31 – Apr 14 | — |
| Sweet Potatoes | — | Apr 7 – Apr 28 | — | — |
| Garlic | — | — | — | Nov 7 – Dec 12 |

Wait until after Apr 4 (only a 10% chance of frost) to plant out the most frost-tender crops: tomatoes, peppers, basil, melons.