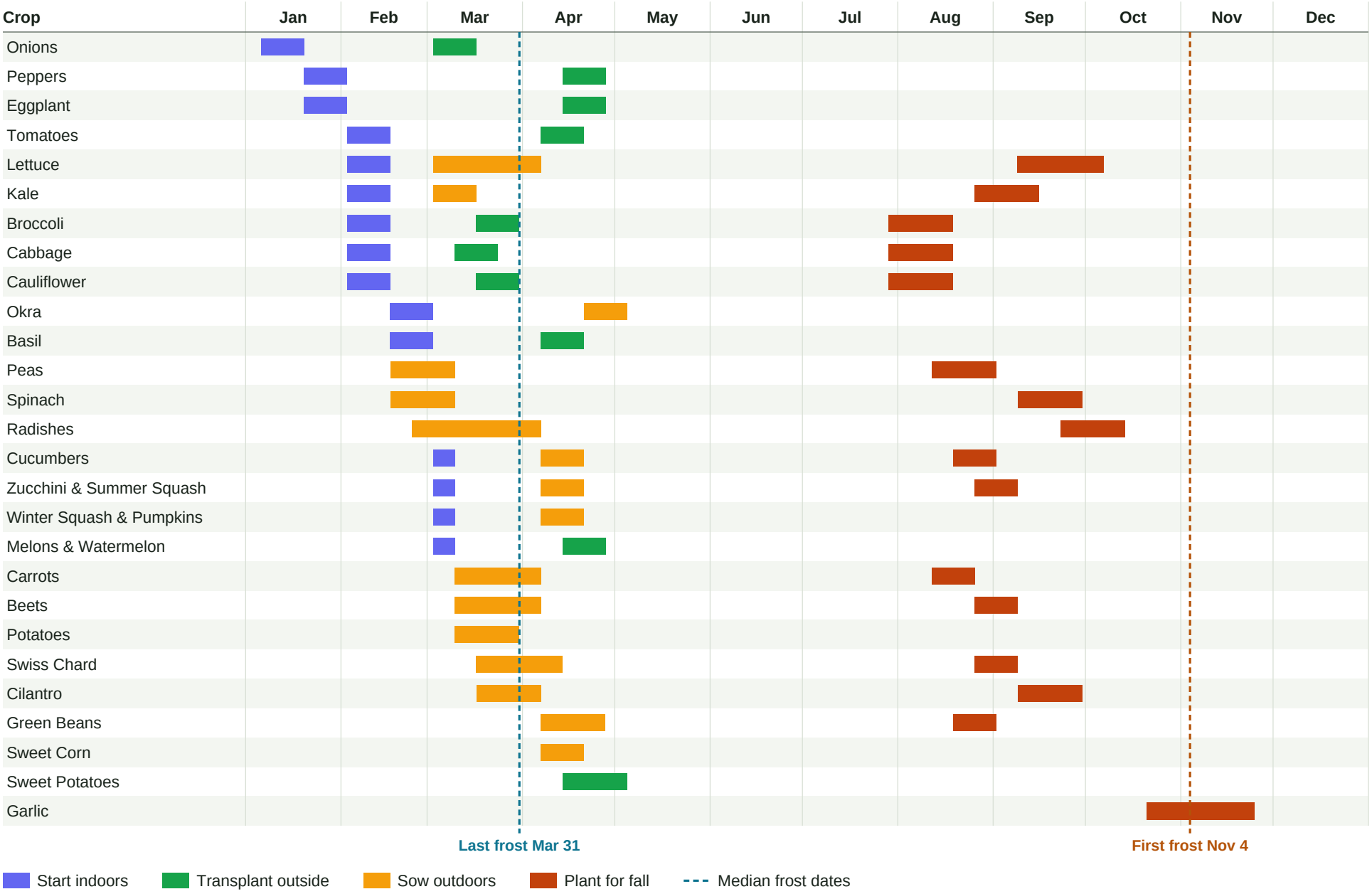
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Crop	Start indoors	Transplant outside	Sow outdoors	Plant for fall
Onions	Jan 6 – Jan 20	Mar 3 – Mar 17	—	—
Peppers	Jan 20 – Feb 3	Apr 14 – Apr 28	—	—
Eggplant	Jan 20 – Feb 3	Apr 14 – Apr 28	—	—
Tomatoes	Feb 3 – Feb 17	Apr 7 – Apr 21	—	—
Lettuce	Feb 3 – Feb 17	Mar 10 – Mar 24	Mar 3 – Apr 7	Sep 9 – Oct 7
Kale	Feb 3 – Feb 17	Mar 3 – Mar 17	Mar 3 – Mar 17	Aug 26 – Sep 16
Broccoli	Feb 3 – Feb 17	Mar 17 – Mar 31	—	Jul 29 – Aug 19
Cabbage	Feb 3 – Feb 17	Mar 10 – Mar 24	—	Jul 29 – Aug 19
Cauliflower	Feb 3 – Feb 17	Mar 17 – Mar 31	—	Jul 29 – Aug 19
Okra	Feb 17 – Mar 3	Apr 21 – May 5	Apr 21 – May 5	—
Basil	Feb 17 – Mar 3	Apr 7 – Apr 21	—	—
Peas	—	—	Feb 17 – Mar 10	Aug 12 – Sep 2
Spinach	—	—	Feb 17 – Mar 10	Sep 9 – Sep 30
Radishes	—	—	Feb 24 – Apr 7	Sep 23 – Oct 14
Cucumbers	Mar 3 – Mar 10	Apr 14 – Apr 21	Apr 7 – Apr 21	Aug 19 – Sep 2
Zucchini & Summer Squash	Mar 3 – Mar 10	—	Apr 7 – Apr 21	Aug 26 – Sep 9
Winter Squash & Pumpkins	Mar 3 – Mar 10	—	Apr 7 – Apr 21	—
Melons & Watermelon	Mar 3 – Mar 10	Apr 14 – Apr 28	—	—
Carrots	—	—	Mar 10 – Apr 7	Aug 12 – Aug 26
Beets	—	—	Mar 10 – Apr 7	Aug 26 – Sep 9
Potatoes	—	—	Mar 10 – Mar 31	—
Swiss Chard	—	—	Mar 17 – Apr 14	Aug 26 – Sep 9
Cilantro	—	—	Mar 17 – Apr 7	Sep 9 – Sep 30
Green Beans	—	—	Apr 7 – Apr 28	Aug 19 – Sep 2
Sweet Corn	—	—	Apr 7 – Apr 21	—
Sweet Potatoes	—	Apr 14 – May 5	—	—
Garlic	—	—	—	Oct 21 – Nov 25

Wait until after Apr 16 (only a 10% chance of frost) to plant out the most frost-tender crops: tomatoes, peppers, basil, melons.