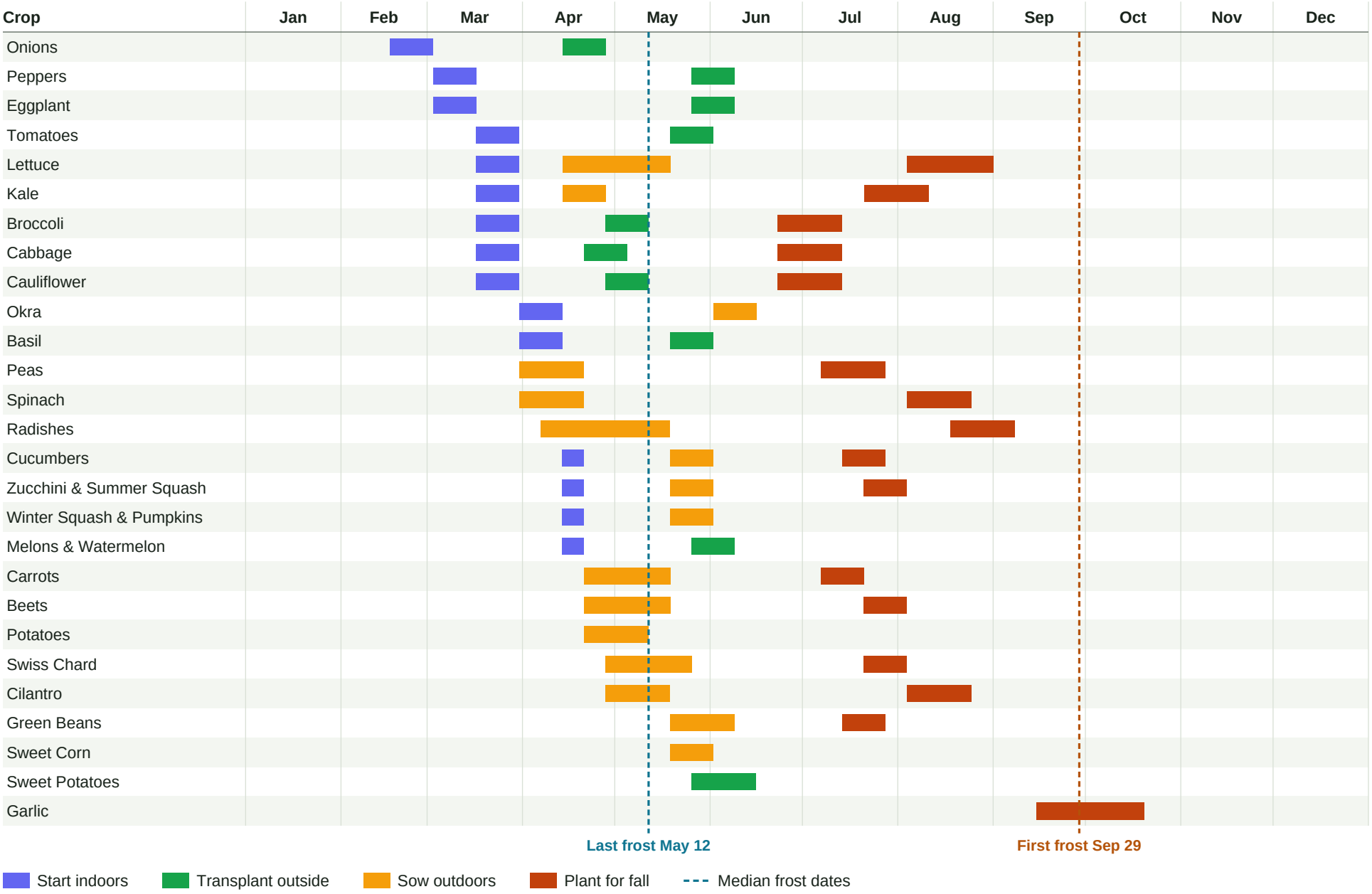
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| Crop | Start indoors | Transplant outside | Sow outdoors | Plant for fall |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Onions | Feb 17 – Mar 3 | Apr 14 – Apr 28 | — | — |
| Peppers | Mar 3 – Mar 17 | May 26 – Jun 9 | — | — |
| Eggplant | Mar 3 – Mar 17 | May 26 – Jun 9 | — | — |
| Tomatoes | Mar 17 – Mar 31 | May 19 – Jun 2 | — | — |
| Lettuce | Mar 17 – Mar 31 | Apr 21 – May 5 | Apr 14 – May 19 | Aug 4 – Sep 1 |
| Kale | Mar 17 – Mar 31 | Apr 14 – Apr 28 | Apr 14 – Apr 28 | Jul 21 – Aug 11 |
| Broccoli | Mar 17 – Mar 31 | Apr 28 – May 12 | — | Jun 23 – Jul 14 |
| Cabbage | Mar 17 – Mar 31 | Apr 21 – May 5 | — | Jun 23 – Jul 14 |
| Cauliflower | Mar 17 – Mar 31 | Apr 28 – May 12 | — | Jun 23 – Jul 14 |
| Okra | Mar 31 – Apr 14 | Jun 2 – Jun 16 | Jun 2 – Jun 16 | — |
| Basil | Mar 31 – Apr 14 | May 19 – Jun 2 | — | — |
| Peas | — | — | Mar 31 – Apr 21 | Jul 7 – Jul 28 |
| Spinach | — | — | Mar 31 – Apr 21 | Aug 4 – Aug 25 |
| Radishes | — | — | Apr 7 – May 19 | Aug 18 – Sep 8 |
| Cucumbers | Apr 14 – Apr 21 | May 26 – Jun 2 | May 19 – Jun 2 | Jul 14 – Jul 28 |
| Zucchini & Summer Squash | Apr 14 – Apr 21 | — | May 19 – Jun 2 | Jul 21 – Aug 4 |
| Winter Squash & Pumpkins | Apr 14 – Apr 21 | — | May 19 – Jun 2 | — |
| Melons & Watermelon | Apr 14 – Apr 21 | May 26 – Jun 9 | — | — |
| Carrots | — | — | Apr 21 – May 19 | Jul 7 – Jul 21 |
| Beets | — | — | Apr 21 – May 19 | Jul 21 – Aug 4 |
| Potatoes | — | — | Apr 21 – May 12 | — |
| Swiss Chard | — | — | Apr 28 – May 26 | Jul 21 – Aug 4 |
| Cilantro | — | — | Apr 28 – May 19 | Aug 4 – Aug 25 |
| Green Beans | — | — | May 19 – Jun 9 | Jul 14 – Jul 28 |
| Sweet Corn | — | — | May 19 – Jun 2 | — |
| Sweet Potatoes | — | May 26 – Jun 16 | — | — |
| Garlic | — | — | — | Sep 15 – Oct 20 |

Wait until after May 25 (only a 10% chance of frost) to plant out the most frost-tender crops: tomatoes, peppers, basil, melons.