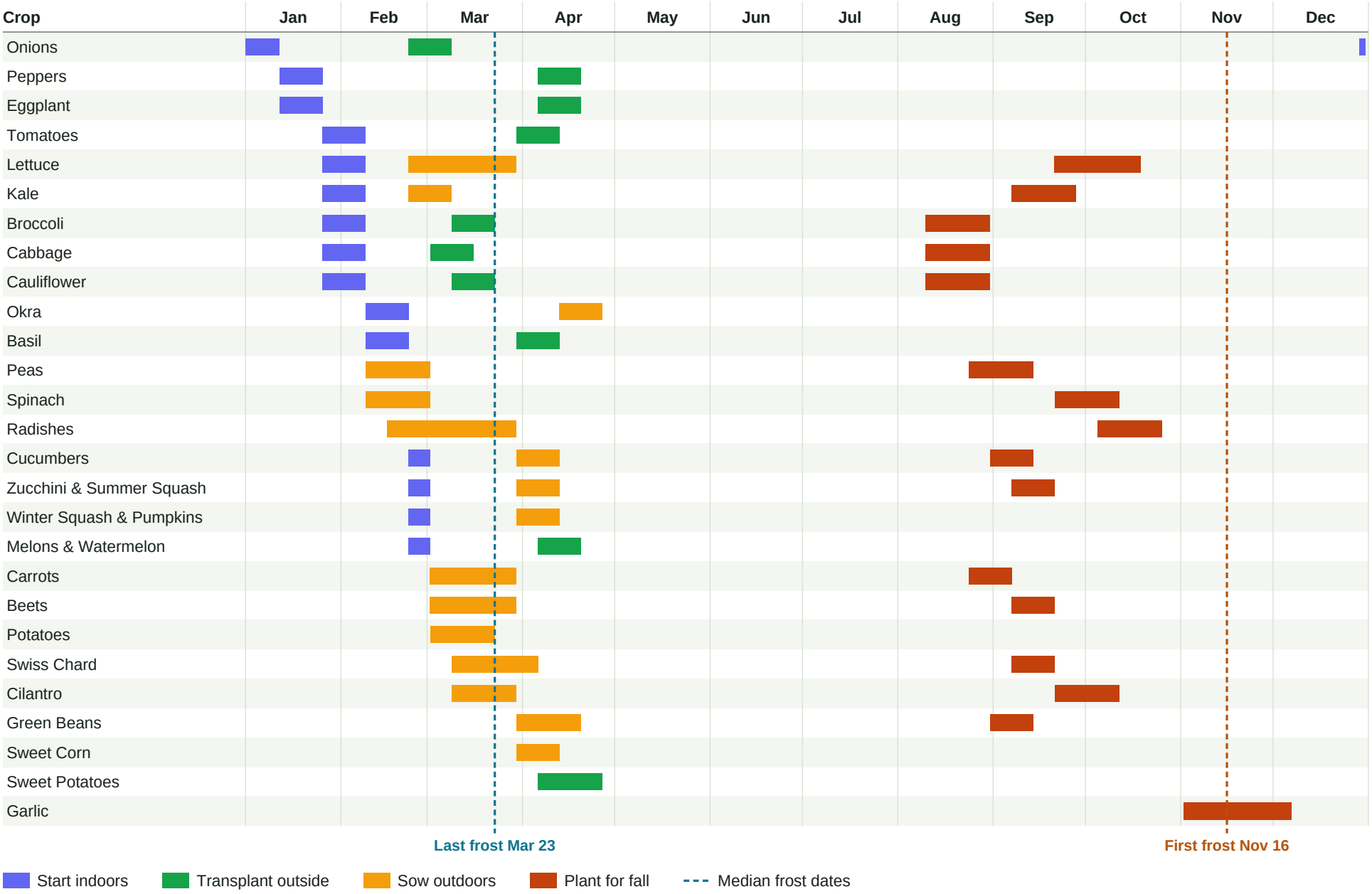
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Crop	Start indoors	Transplant outside	Sow outdoors	Plant for fall
Onions	Dec 29 – Jan 12	Feb 23 – Mar 9	—	—
Peppers	Jan 12 – Jan 26	Apr 6 – Apr 20	—	—
Eggplant	Jan 12 – Jan 26	Apr 6 – Apr 20	—	—
Tomatoes	Jan 26 – Feb 9	Mar 30 – Apr 13	—	—
Lettuce	Jan 26 – Feb 9	Mar 2 – Mar 16	Feb 23 – Mar 30	Sep 21 – Oct 19
Kale	Jan 26 – Feb 9	Feb 23 – Mar 9	Feb 23 – Mar 9	Sep 7 – Sep 28
Broccoli	Jan 26 – Feb 9	Mar 9 – Mar 23	—	Aug 10 – Aug 31
Cabbage	Jan 26 – Feb 9	Mar 2 – Mar 16	—	Aug 10 – Aug 31
Cauliflower	Jan 26 – Feb 9	Mar 9 – Mar 23	—	Aug 10 – Aug 31
Okra	Feb 9 – Feb 23	Apr 13 – Apr 27	Apr 13 – Apr 27	—
Basil	Feb 9 – Feb 23	Mar 30 – Apr 13	—	—
Peas	—	—	Feb 9 – Mar 2	Aug 24 – Sep 14
Spinach	—	—	Feb 9 – Mar 2	Sep 21 – Oct 12
Radishes	—	—	Feb 16 – Mar 30	Oct 5 – Oct 26
Cucumbers	Feb 23 – Mar 2	Apr 6 – Apr 13	Mar 30 – Apr 13	Aug 31 – Sep 14
Zucchini & Summer Squash	Feb 23 – Mar 2	—	Mar 30 – Apr 13	Sep 7 – Sep 21
Winter Squash & Pumpkins	Feb 23 – Mar 2	—	Mar 30 – Apr 13	—
Melons & Watermelon	Feb 23 – Mar 2	Apr 6 – Apr 20	—	—
Carrots	—	—	Mar 2 – Mar 30	Aug 24 – Sep 7
Beets	—	—	Mar 2 – Mar 30	Sep 7 – Sep 21
Potatoes	—	—	Mar 2 – Mar 23	—
Swiss Chard	—	—	Mar 9 – Apr 6	Sep 7 – Sep 21
Cilantro	—	—	Mar 9 – Mar 30	Sep 21 – Oct 12
Green Beans	—	—	Mar 30 – Apr 20	Aug 31 – Sep 14
Sweet Corn	—	—	Mar 30 – Apr 13	—
Sweet Potatoes	—	Apr 6 – Apr 27	—	—
Garlic	—	—	—	Nov 2 – Dec 7

Wait until after Apr 6 (only a 10% chance of frost) to plant out the most frost-tender crops: tomatoes, peppers, basil, melons.