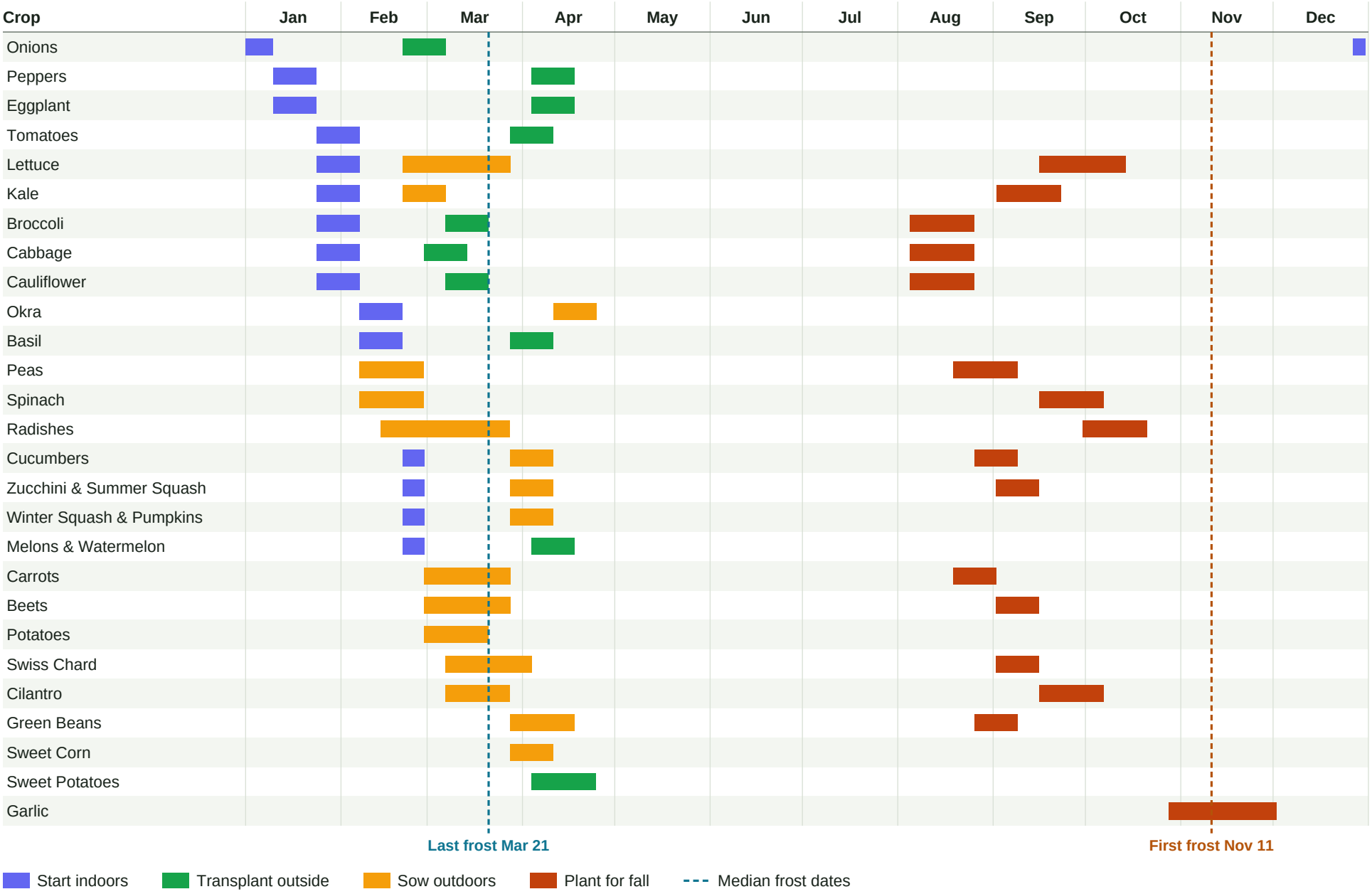
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Crop	Start indoors	Transplant outside	Sow outdoors	Plant for fall
Onions	Dec 27 – Jan 10	Feb 21 – Mar 7	—	—
Peppers	Jan 10 – Jan 24	Apr 4 – Apr 18	—	—
Eggplant	Jan 10 – Jan 24	Apr 4 – Apr 18	—	—
Tomatoes	Jan 24 – Feb 7	Mar 28 – Apr 11	—	—
Lettuce	Jan 24 – Feb 7	Feb 28 – Mar 14	Feb 21 – Mar 28	Sep 16 – Oct 14
Kale	Jan 24 – Feb 7	Feb 21 – Mar 7	Feb 21 – Mar 7	Sep 2 – Sep 23
Broccoli	Jan 24 – Feb 7	Mar 7 – Mar 21	—	Aug 5 – Aug 26
Cabbage	Jan 24 – Feb 7	Feb 28 – Mar 14	—	Aug 5 – Aug 26
Cauliflower	Jan 24 – Feb 7	Mar 7 – Mar 21	—	Aug 5 – Aug 26
Okra	Feb 7 – Feb 21	Apr 11 – Apr 25	Apr 11 – Apr 25	—
Basil	Feb 7 – Feb 21	Mar 28 – Apr 11	—	—
Peas	—	—	Feb 7 – Feb 28	Aug 19 – Sep 9
Spinach	—	—	Feb 7 – Feb 28	Sep 16 – Oct 7
Radishes	—	—	Feb 14 – Mar 28	Sep 30 – Oct 21
Cucumbers	Feb 21 – Feb 28	Apr 4 – Apr 11	Mar 28 – Apr 11	Aug 26 – Sep 9
Zucchini & Summer Squash	Feb 21 – Feb 28	—	Mar 28 – Apr 11	Sep 2 – Sep 16
Winter Squash & Pumpkins	Feb 21 – Feb 28	—	Mar 28 – Apr 11	—
Melons & Watermelon	Feb 21 – Feb 28	Apr 4 – Apr 18	—	—
Carrots	—	—	Feb 28 – Mar 28	Aug 19 – Sep 2
Beets	—	—	Feb 28 – Mar 28	Sep 2 – Sep 16
Potatoes	—	—	Feb 28 – Mar 21	—
Swiss Chard	—	—	Mar 7 – Apr 4	Sep 2 – Sep 16
Cilantro	—	—	Mar 7 – Mar 28	Sep 16 – Oct 7
Green Beans	—	—	Mar 28 – Apr 18	Aug 26 – Sep 9
Sweet Corn	—	—	Mar 28 – Apr 11	—
Sweet Potatoes	—	Apr 4 – Apr 25	—	—
Garlic	—	—	—	Oct 28 – Dec 2

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