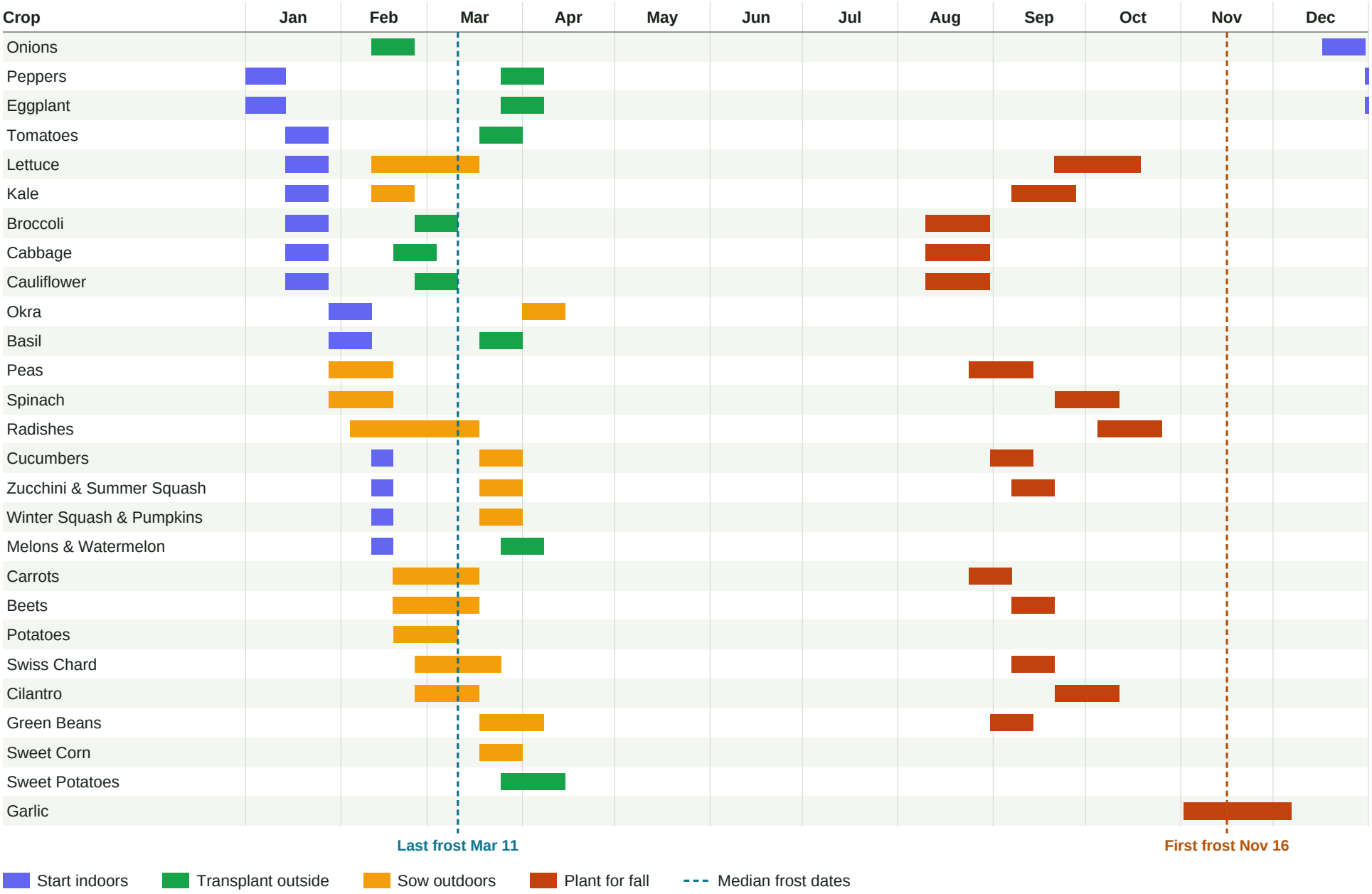
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Crop	Start indoors	Transplant outside	Sow outdoors	Plant for fall
Onions	Dec 17 – Dec 31	Feb 11 – Feb 25	—	—
Peppers	Dec 31 – Jan 14	Mar 25 – Apr 8	—	—
Eggplant	Dec 31 – Jan 14	Mar 25 – Apr 8	—	—
Tomatoes	Jan 14 – Jan 28	Mar 18 – Apr 1	—	—
Lettuce	Jan 14 – Jan 28	Feb 18 – Mar 4	Feb 11 – Mar 18	Sep 21 – Oct 19
Kale	Jan 14 – Jan 28	Feb 11 – Feb 25	Feb 11 – Feb 25	Sep 7 – Sep 28
Broccoli	Jan 14 – Jan 28	Feb 25 – Mar 11	—	Aug 10 – Aug 31
Cabbage	Jan 14 – Jan 28	Feb 18 – Mar 4	—	Aug 10 – Aug 31
Cauliflower	Jan 14 – Jan 28	Feb 25 – Mar 11	—	Aug 10 – Aug 31
Okra	Jan 28 – Feb 11	Apr 1 – Apr 15	Apr 1 – Apr 15	—
Basil	Jan 28 – Feb 11	Mar 18 – Apr 1	—	—
Peas	—	—	Jan 28 – Feb 18	Aug 24 – Sep 14
Spinach	—	—	Jan 28 – Feb 18	Sep 21 – Oct 12
Radishes	—	—	Feb 4 – Mar 18	Oct 5 – Oct 26
Cucumbers	Feb 11 – Feb 18	Mar 25 – Apr 1	Mar 18 – Apr 1	Aug 31 – Sep 14
Zucchini & Summer Squash	Feb 11 – Feb 18	—	Mar 18 – Apr 1	Sep 7 – Sep 21
Winter Squash & Pumpkins	Feb 11 – Feb 18	—	Mar 18 – Apr 1	—
Melons & Watermelon	Feb 11 – Feb 18	Mar 25 – Apr 8	—	—
Carrots	—	—	Feb 18 – Mar 18	Aug 24 – Sep 7
Beets	—	—	Feb 18 – Mar 18	Sep 7 – Sep 21
Potatoes	—	—	Feb 18 – Mar 11	—
Swiss Chard	—	—	Feb 25 – Mar 25	Sep 7 – Sep 21
Cilantro	—	—	Feb 25 – Mar 18	Sep 21 – Oct 12
Green Beans	—	—	Mar 18 – Apr 8	Aug 31 – Sep 14
Sweet Corn	—	—	Mar 18 – Apr 1	—
Sweet Potatoes	—	Mar 25 – Apr 15	—	—
Garlic	—	—	—	Nov 2 – Dec 7

Wait until after Mar 31 (only a 10% chance of frost) to plant out the most frost-tender crops: tomatoes, peppers, basil, melons.