SPRING SEASON OVERVIEW

**PLANTING DATE:** APRIL 1st

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**Average Last Frost:** April 21 - 30

**Average High:**
- 63 (April)
- 73 (May)

**Average Low:**
- 43 (April)
- 53 (May)

**Average Rainfall:**
- 3.78” (April)
- 5.03” (May)

**Days of Precipitation:**
- 12 (April)
- 13 (May)

**Zone:** 5b

**Day Length (April):** 12hr 40m

**Day Length (May):** 14hr 47m
Spinach Seeds

Planting Window: April 1 - April 15
Arugula, Kale, & Lettuce Seeds: 40 Days
Spacing: Several Seeds per inch
Spring Harvest Window: May 10 - June 15

Cilantro Seeds: 35 days to maturity
Spacing: 2 inches
Spring Harvest Window: May 5 - June 15

Onion Seedlings: 100 Days to Maturity
Spacing: 4 inches
Harvested in September

Pea Seeds: 30 Days to Pea Shoots,
60 Days to Peas in Pods
Spacing: 2 inches
Pea Shoot harvest Window: May 1 - July 1

Radish Seeds: 25 Days to Maturity
Spacing: 1.5 inches
Spring Harvest Window: May 1 - May 20

Spinach Seeds: 35 days to maturity
Spacing: 2 inches
Spring Harvest Window: May 5 - June 15

Scallion Seeds: 50 days to maturity
Spacing: 2 inches
Spring Harvest Window: May 20 - July 15

Turnip Seeds: 45 Days to Maturity
Spacing: 4 inches
Spring Harvest Window: May 15 - June 15

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Planting Radishes, Cilantro, and Spinach

Planting Lettuce. Apply this method to planting Arugula, Kale, and Lettuce

Planting Peas

Watering Your Garden with a Spray Nozzle
**SPRING SENSORY GARDEN GUIDE**

**Suggested Planting Date: April 1**

Perennial Herbs: Sage, Oregano, Thyme, and Chive Seedlings:
- 40 Days to Maturity
- Spacing: 8 inches
- Harvest Window: Full Garden season
- Care: Harvest regularly to promote good growth of new leaves.

Seasonal Selection: Each season our team will be choosing a new plant to feature based on local interest and availability.

Strawberry Seedlings: Fruit matures throughout the summer
- Care: Trim ‘runners’ to help fruit grow
- To Harvest, pluck fruits when fully red

Garlic (overwintered)
- Spacing: 8 inches
- Garlic Scapes Harvest Window: April - May
- Garlic Bulbs Harvest Window: June - July

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**Planting Seeds with Students**

**Watering with Irrigation**

**Watering by hand**
Be sure to keep your soil evenly moist

**Harvesting Garlic Scapes**

**Mulching your Garden**

**Introduction to Herb Garden**
Harvest window dates are estimates and may vary due to your local environmental factors (cold, heat, light, water) and the health and care of your plants.

Arugula (Baby Leaves) Harvest Window: May 10 - June 15
Snip or pinch leaf stems once leaves have reached 3-5 inches in height. Do not pull upwards and uproot the plant during harvest. Once leaves have been harvested, continue to care for plants in order to grow more leaves for a second or third harvest. Expect 3 weeks between harvests.

Cilantro Harvest Window: April 1 - May 20
Harvest leaves by pinching or cutting leaf stems once leaves have reached 2-4 inches in length. Be sure not to uproot the plant during harvest. Expect multiple harvests with 2-3 weeks between harvests.

Garlic Scapes Harvest Window: April 15 - May 30
Harvest garlic scape by snapping or cutting the central stem of the garlic plant with a knife or scissors just above the upper leaves. Harvest the garlic scape as the top of the scape forms a full circle and before the scape straightens out to extend fully vertical.

Kale (Baby Leaves) Harvest Window: May 10 - June 15
Snip or pinch leaf stems once leaves have reached 3-5 inches in height. Do not pull upwards and uproot the plant during harvest. Once leaves have been harvested, continue to care for plants in order to grow more leaves for a second or third harvest. Expect 3 weeks between harvests.

Lettuce (Baby Leaves) Harvest Window: May 10 - June 15
Snip or pinch leaf stems once leaves have reached 3-5 inches in height. Do not pull upwards and uproot the plant during harvest. Once leaves have been harvested, continue to care for plants in order to grow more leaves for a second or third harvest. Expect 3 weeks between harvests.

Pea (Pods) Harvest Window: June 1 - July 15
Pluck pea pods off the vine when peas begin to visibly fill out the pod (pea pods should be about 2” - 3” long). Eat pod whole with peas inside. Younger peas are more tender.

Pea (Shoots) Harvest Window: May 1 - June 1
Snip or pinch the top two inches of newest growth of your pea plants. You can pinch the tender stem off easily if it is ready. If the stem is hard to break, move upwards on the plant to harvest the more tender, newer growth.
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Perennial Herbs Harvest Window: April 15 - End of Season
Pinch off leaves by hand, or for larger harvests cut stems with clippers. Fresh herb leaves can be harvested as they grow. Harvest the top ⅓ of plant or only the leafy tips to encourage new growth.

Radishes Harvest Window: May 1 - May 20
Pull the entire plant out of the ground to harvest. Harvest when top of radish root reaches 1 inch in diameter (about the size of a quarter). Harvest spring radishes before hot summer weather. Harvest radishes before they bolt stems begin to grow vertically to produce flowers.

Scallions Harvest Window: May 20 - July 15
Pull or dig onions once stems reach at least ¼ inch in diameter. You may need to loosen the soil around the onions for an easier harvest.

Spinach Harvest Window: April 1 - May 20
Snip or pinch outer leaves at their stems as the plant grows. Be sure not to pull upwards and uproot the plant during harvest. Be aware that these plants will continue to produce more leaves, so harvest leaves as they grow to be the correct size! Harvest spinach plants before they bolt and stems begin to grow vertically to produce flowers.

Strawberries Harvest Window: June 1 - August 15
Pluck strawberries by hand as they turn red.

Turnips Harvest Window: May 15 - June 15
Pull the entire plant out of the ground to harvest. Harvest when top of radish root reaches 2” in diameter. Harvest turnips before they bolt (stems begin to grow vertically to produce flowers).