

Agnote

Printed with permission from DPP for use onthe APY and Ngaanyatjarra Lands.

Ref. No. 81/01 January 1981

VEGETABLE SOWING CALENDAR FOR SOUTHERN N.T.

by Frank McEllister, Senior Technical Officer (Horticulture), Alice Springs

The sowing times outlined below include the monsoonal period of the year. Although many people prefer not to plant vegetables during this period, with correct management, satisfactory crops can be produced.

ALICE SPRINGS DISTRICT

VEGETABLE	SOWING TIMES	Sowing Method (S = seedbeds) (D = sow direct)	Sowing Depth (mm)	Seedlings Emerge (days)	Sow and thin or transplant to cm apart Rows Plants		Time to Picking (weeks)
	J F M A M J J A S O N D						
Artichokes (suckers)	• • • •	D	100-150	_	100	100	2028
Asparagus (2yr crowns)	• •	D	150200	_	100	50	16-24
Beetroot (Red Beet) Broad Beans	• • • • • • • • • • •	D	20	8–14	30	10–12	10–12
(see note 1)		D	50-80	8-14	90	15	20-24
Broccoli	• • •	S	510	6-10	90	75	12
Brussels Sprouts	• •	S	5-10	6-10	90	75	1620
Cabbages		S	10	6-10	60-90	4560	1624
Capsicums		S	5-10	14-28	100	50	16-20
Carrots		Ď	5-10	10-21	30	4-8	12-16
Cauliflowers		Š	5–10	6–10	7590	60-90	16-24
Chinese Spinach	• • • •	•	• •	-			
(Bok Choy)		Ð	10	6-10	30-40	30	8-10
Cucumbers		Ď	1020	6–10	90	90	12-16
French Beans (dwarf)		Ď	30-40	7–10	60	10	10
French Beans (climber)		Ď	30-40	7-10	120	12	10-12
, ,		Ď	5–10	6–10	30	30	8-12
Lettuces		Ď	1020	6–10	180	90	16
Melons (water)		Ď	10-20	10-20	90	90	12-16
Melons (rock)		Ď	10 20	6-8	30-60	10–12	4
Mustard Greens		Ď	5–8	10-14	100	50	1620
Okra		D	10-20	10-14	30	12–15	24-30
Onions		D	20	21–28	30	5-10	20
Parsnips		Ď	40–50	7-10	60	8-12	16
Peas	• • • • •	D	120-150	<i>7</i> -10	90	30	16-20
Potatoes (see note 2)		D	10 10	 58	30	5	6-8
Radishes			10-15	10–21	50	50	16-20
Rhubarb (seed)		Đ D	100	10-21	50	50	12–16
Rhubarb (crowns)		D	100	_	30	10–15	12
Shallots			20	1014	60	30	10-12
Silver Beet		D D	20	14-21	45	30	10-12
Spinach		_	10	6-10	45 50	15–20	12–16
Swedes/Turnips	• • • • • •	D		6-10	70	30	12-10
Sweetcorn Sweet Potatoes	• • • • •	D	30	0-10	70		
(see note 2)	• • •	D	100-120		90-100	30	16–24
Tomatoes	• • • • •	S	5	10–14	100	50100	12–16
Trombones (marrow)/		D	50	6-10	180	180	16
Pumpkins		D	50	6-10	200	150	8-12
Zucchinis/Marrows	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	U	30	0-10	200	, 50	0 .2