

Lee County Vegetable Planting Guidelines

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Asparagus	Jan 1 - Mar 1	Dec 1 - Jan 1	1 ounce	½-1"	9-15"	48-72"	15	730	60	30 lbs.	10-15 plants	10-15 plants
Beans, snap bush	Mar 15 - May 15	Jul 15 - Sep 1	½ lb.	1-2"	2-4"	18-36"	6	45-60	14	120 lbs.	15-16 feet	15-20 feet
Beans, snap pole	Mar 15 - May 15	Jul 15 - Sep 1	½ lb.	1-2"	6-9"	36-48"	6	60 -70	30	150 lbs.	5-6 feet	8-10 feet
Beans, lima bush	Mar 20 - Jun 1	Jul 15 - Aug 1	¼ lb.	1-1½"	3-6"	18-36"	7	65-80	14	25 lbs.	10-15 feet	15-20 feet
Beans, lima pole	Mar 20 - Jun 1	Jul 15 - Aug 15	¼ lb.	1-1½"	3-6"	18-36"	7	75-85	40	50 lbs.	5-6 feet	8-10 feet
Beets	Feb 15 - June 1	Aug 15 - Nov 1	1 ounce	¾-1"	2-4"	12-30"	8	50-60	30	150 lbs.	5-10 feet	10-20 feet
Broccoli	Feb 15 - Mar 15	Aug 1 - Sep 1	¼ ounce	½"	12-24"	18-36"	10	60-80	40	100 lbs.	3-5 plants	5-6 plants
Brussels Sprouts	Feb 15 - Mar 15	Jul 10 - Aug 10	¼ ounce	¼"	18-24"	24-40"	10	90-100	21	75 lbs.	2-5 plants	5-8 plants
Cabbage	Jan 15 - Mar 15	Aug 1 - Sep 1	¼ ounce	½"	12-24"	24-26"	10	60-90	40	150 lbs.	3-4 plants	5-10 plants
Cantaloupe	Mar 15 - April 15	Jul 15 - Aug 1	½ ounce	1 - 2"	12"	60-84"	7	85-100	30	100 fruit	3-5 hills	-----
Carrot	Jan 15 - Mar 1	Jul 15 - Sep 15	½ ounce	½"	1-3"	16-30"	8	70-80	21	100 lbs.	5-10 feet	10-15 feet
Cauliflower	-----	Jul 15 - Aug 15	¼ ounce	½"	14-24"	24-36"	10	70-90	14	100 lbs.	3-5 plants	8-12 plants
Chard	Feb 15 - May 15	Jun 1 - Sep 15	2 ounce	1"	6"	18-30"	7	45-55	40	75 lbs.	3-5 plants	8-12 plants
Collard (kale)	Feb 1 - Apr 1	Aug 15 - Oct 15	¼ ounce	¼"	12 -24"	24-36"	10	50-80	60	100 lbs.	5-10 feet	5-10 feet
Corn, sweet	Mar 10 - Apr 15	Jun 15 - Aug 1	3-4 ounce	1 - 2"	8-12"	30-42"	7	70-90	10	10 dozen	10-15 feet	30-50 feet
Cucumber	Mar 15 - Apr 15	Jun 1 - Aug 15	½ ounce	1 - 2"	8-12"	36-72"	7	50-70	30	120 lbs.	1-2 hills	3-5 hills
Eggplant	Mar 15 - Apr 15	Jun 1 - Jul 15	⅞ ounce	¼ - ½"	18-30"	24-48"	10	80-90	90	100 lbs.	2-3 plants	2-3 plants
Endive	Feb 15 - Mar 15	Aug 15 - Sep 15	⅞ ounce	½"	8-12"	18-24"	10	60-90	21	50 lbs.	10 feet	10 feet
Garlic	-----	Aug 1 - Sep 15	1 lb.	1 - 2"	2-4"	14-24"	-----	140-150	-----	40 lbs.	-----	1-5 feet
Kohlrabi	Feb 10 - Mar 1	Aug 15 - Sep 15	¼ ounce	½"	4-6"	14-24"	10	55-75	14	75 lbs.	3-5 feet	5-10 feet
Lettuce, head	Feb 1 - Feb 20	Aug 15 - Oct 15	¼ ounce	¼"	2-3"	14-24"	7	40-80	21	50 lbs.	5-15 feet	-----
Lettuce, leaf	Jan 15 - Apr 1	Aug 10 - Oct 15	¼ ounce	¼"	2-3"	14-24"	7	40-80	21	50 lbs.	5-15 feet	-----
Mustard	Feb 10 - Mar 15	Aug 15 - Nov 15	¼ ounce	¼"	5-10"	12-36"	9	30-40	30	100 lbs.	5-10 feet	10-15 feet
Okra	Apr 1 - Jun 1	Jun 1 - Aug 15	2 ounce	1"	8-24"	42-60"	10	55-65	90	100 lbs.	4-6 feet	6-10 feet
Parsley	Feb 1 - Mar 10	Sep 1 - Nov 15	¼ ounce	¼"	4-12"	12-36"	21	70-90	90	30 lbs.	1-3 feet	1-3 feet
Parsnip	Jan 15 - Mar 1	-----	½ ounce	¼ - ½"	2-4"	18-36"	18	120	14	100 lbs.	10 feet	10 feet
Peas, English	Jan 15 - Mar 15	Sep 1 - Nov 1	1 lb.	1 - 3"	1-3"	18-36"	8	55-90	7	20 lbs.	15-20 feet	40-60 feet
Peas, Southern	Mar 15 - Jul 1	Jun 15 - Aug 15	½ lb.	1 - 3"	4-6"	24-36"	8	60-70	30	40 lbs.	10-15 feet	20-50 feet

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Pepper	Mar 15 - Jul 1	Jun 1 - Aug 1	¼ ounce	¼ - ½"	12-24"	18-36"	10	60-90	90	60 lbs.	3-5 plants	3-5 plants
Potato, Irish	Feb 1 - Mar 1	Aug 1 - Sep 1	6-10 lbs.	4"	10-15"	30-36"	-----	75-100	-----	100 lbs.	50-100 feet	-----
Potato, Sweet	Apr 1 - May 1	-----	75-100 plants	3 - 5"	12-16"	36-48"	-----	100-130	-----	100 lbs.	5-10 plants	10-20 plants
Pumpkin	May 1 - Jun 1	Jul 15 - Aug 15	½ ounce	1"	36-60"	72-96"	7	75-100	-----	100 lbs.	1-2 hills	1-2 hills
Radish	Jan 1 - Apr 15	Sep 1 - Nov 15	1 ounce	¼ - ½"	½-1"	8-18"	6	25-40	7	100 bunches	3-5 feet	-----
Spinach	Jan 15 - Mar 1	Sep 15 - Nov 15	1 ounce	½ - 1"	2-6"	12-36"	8	40-60	40	3 bushels	5-10 feet	10-15 feet
Squash, Summer	Mar 15 - May 1	Jun 1 - Aug 15	1 ounce	1 - 2"	18-36"	36-60"	7	50-60	40	150 lbs.	2-3 hills	2-3 hills
Squash, Winter	-----	Jun 15 - Aug 1	½ ounce	1 - 2"	24-48"	60-96"	7	85-100	-----	100 lbs.	1-3 hills	1-3 hills
Tomato (plants)	Mar 15 - Apr 15	Jun 1 - Jul 15	50 plants	4 - 6"	18-48"	36-60"	-----	70-90	40	100 lbs.	3-5 plants	5-10 plants
Tomato (seeds)	Mar 15 - Apr 15	Jun 1 - Jul 15	¼ ounce	¼ - ½"	18-48"	36-60"	8	90-110	40	100 lbs.	3-5 plants	5-10 plants
Turnip, greens	Feb 1 - Mar 1	Sep 1 - Oct 15	½ ounce	¼ - ½"	2-6"	12-36"	7	30	40	50-100 lbs.	5-10 feet	-----
Turnip, roots	Feb 1 - Mar 1	Sep - Oct 15	½ ounce	¼ - ½"	2-6"	12-36"	7	30-60	30	50-100 lbs.	5-10 feet	5-10 feet
Watermelon	Mar 15 - Apr 15	Jul 1 - Aug 1	½ ounce	1 - 2"	24-36"	72-96"	8	80-100	30	40 fruit	2-4 hills	-----



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