

Planting calendar for Germany

Average across all German postcodes: last frost on 19 April, safe from 6 May (no more frost after this in 9 out of 10 years). Frost-tender plants start from the safe date. The dates hold every year.

For your area with a German postcode or your own frost date: www.beetfox.com/planting-calendar

Start indoors Sow outdoors Plant out Sow (autumn) Plant (autumn) undefined undefined

Plant	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	Dates
Fruiting vegetables													
Aubergine (eggplant)													Start indoors 11–25 Mar · Plant out 6 May – 30 Jun
Cape gooseberry													Start indoors 11 Mar – 15 Apr · Plant out 6–20 May
Chilli pepper													Start indoors 25 Feb – 11 Mar · Plant out 6–20 May
Cucumber													Sow outdoors 6–20 May · Plant out 20 May – 30 Jun
Melon													Sow outdoors 6–20 May · Plant out around 20 May
Pumpkin and winter squash													Sow outdoors 6–20 May · Plant out 20–27 May
Sweet pepper													Start indoors 25 Feb – 11 Mar · Plant out 6–20 May
Sweetcorn													Sow outdoors 6–20 May · Plant out 6–20 May
Tomato													Start indoors 11–25 Mar · Plant out 6 May – 30 Jun
Zucchini (courgette)													Sow outdoors 6 May – 5 Jun · Plant out 20 May – 30 Jun
Beans and peas													
Broad bean (fava bean)													Sow outdoors 15 Mar – 10 Apr
Bush bean													Sow outdoors 6 May – 10 Jul
Pea													Sow outdoors 22 Mar – 30 Jun
Pole bean													Sow outdoors 6 May – 30 Jun
Runner bean													Sow outdoors 6 May – 30 Jun · Plant out 6 May – 30 Jun
Sugar snap and snow pea													Sow outdoors 22 Mar – 30 Jun
Cabbages and turnips													
Broccoli													Start indoors 22 Feb – 8 Mar · Plant out 29 Mar – 31 Jul · Sow outdoors 29 Mar – 5 Apr
Brussels sprouts													Start indoors 17 Apr – 1 May · Plant out 1 May – 10 Jun
Cauliflower													Start indoors 22 Feb – 8 Mar · Plant out 5 Apr – 31 Jul
Chinese cabbage													Plant out 22 Mar – 5 Apr · Sow (autumn) 1 Jul – 15 Aug · Plant (autumn) 15 Jul – 10 Aug
Kale													Start indoors 11–25 May · Sow outdoors 21 May – 31 Jul · Plant out 1 Jun – 10 Aug
Kohlrabi													Start indoors 22 Feb – 8 Mar · Plant out 5 Apr – 15 Aug · Sow outdoors 5 Apr – 15 Jul
Pak choi													Start indoors 8–22 May · Plant out 15 May – 15 Aug · Sow (autumn) 1 Jul – 31 Aug
Red cabbage													Plant out 29 Mar – 31 May
Savoy cabbage													Plant out 29 Mar – 31 May
Swede (rutabaga)													No sourced time window
Turnip													Sow outdoors 22 Mar – 30 Apr
White cabbage													Start indoors 22 Feb – 8 Mar · Plant out 29 Mar – 31 May · Sow outdoors 29 Mar – 5 Apr
Roots and tubers													
Beetroot													Sow outdoors 29 Mar – 30 Jun
Black salsify													Sow outdoors 1 Mar – 30 Apr
Carrot													Sow outdoors 29 Mar – 30 Jun
Celeriac													Start indoors 20 Feb – 6 Mar · Plant out 1 May – 30 Jun
Hamburg parsley													No sourced time window
Parsnip													Sow outdoors 29 Mar – 10 May
Potato													Plant out 15 Apr – 10 May

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Radish													Sow outdoors 29 Mar – 31 Aug
Sweet potato													Plant out 1–15 Jun
Winter radish (daikon)													Sow outdoors 1 Jul – 31 Aug
Onions and leeks													
Garlic													Plant (autumn) 1 Sep – 31 Oct
Leek													Start indoors 6–20 Mar · Sow outdoors around 22 Mar · Plant out 15 May – 31 Jul
Onion													Start indoors 8–22 Feb · Plant out 22 Mar – 5 Apr
Shallot													Sow outdoors 22 Mar – 5 Apr
Spring onion (scallion)													Sow outdoors 1 Mar – 15 Jul
Salads and leafy greens													
Butterhead lettuce													Sow outdoors 29 Mar – 31 Jul · Plant out 19 Apr – 31 Jul
Celery													Start indoors 6–20 Mar · Plant out around 15 May
Endive													Start indoors 22 Feb – 8 Mar · Sow outdoors 22 Mar – 5 Apr · Plant out around 5 Apr · Plant (autumn) 15 Jun – 31 Aug
Florence fennel													Start indoors 25 Mar – 8 Apr · Plant out 6 May – 15 Jul
Garden cress													Sow outdoors 1 May – 30 Sep
Iceberg lettuce													Sow outdoors 29 Mar – 15 Jul · Plant out 19 Apr – 31 Jul
Lamb's lettuce (corn salad)													Sow outdoors 22–29 Mar · Sow (autumn) 1 Aug – 15 Sep
Loose-leaf lettuce													Sow outdoors 29 Mar – 31 Aug
Radicchio													Sow outdoors 8–22 Mar · Plant out around 19 Apr · Sow (autumn) 1–10 Jul · Plant (autumn) 15 Jul – 31 Aug
Rocket (arugula)													Sow outdoors 1 Mar – 31 Aug
Spinach													Start indoors 8–29 Mar · Sow outdoors 29 Mar – 5 Apr · Sow (autumn) 1 Aug – 15 Sep
Swiss chard													Sow outdoors 21 Apr – 30 Jun
Herbs													
Basil													Sow outdoors 6 May – 30 Jun · Plant out 6–20 May
Borage													Sow outdoors 19 Apr – 30 Jun
Chervil													Start indoors around 22 Feb · Plant out 19 Apr – 3 May · Sow (autumn) 25 Aug – 1 Sep
Chives													Start indoors 22 Feb – 8 Mar
Coriander (cilantro)													Sow outdoors 19 Apr – 31 Jul
Dill													Sow outdoors 5 Apr – 10 Aug
Lavender													Start indoors 8–22 Feb · Plant out 19 Apr – 31 May
Lemon balm													Start indoors 22 Feb – 8 Mar · Plant out 19 Apr – 31 Aug
Mint													Plant out 1 Apr – 31 Aug
Oregano													Plant out 19 Apr – 3 May
Parsley													Start indoors 22 Feb – 8 Mar · Sow outdoors 19 Apr – 30 Jun
Rosemary													Start indoors 11–25 Feb · Plant out 6–20 May
Sage													Start indoors 22 Feb – 8 Mar · Plant out 19 Apr – 15 May
Summer savory													Plant out 19 Apr – 3 May
Thyme													Start indoors 8–22 Feb · Plant out 19 Apr – 15 May
Flowers													
French marigold (tagetes)													Start indoors around 8 Apr · Plant out 6–20 May
Nasturtium													Start indoors 8–22 Mar · Sow outdoors 19 Apr – 3 May
Pot marigold (calendula)													Start indoors 22 Feb – 8 Mar · Sow outdoors 1 Mar – 30 Jun · Plant out 19 Apr – 3 May
Sunflower													Sow outdoors 19 Apr – 30 Jun
Sweet alyssum													Start indoors 8–15 Mar · Plant out 5–12 Apr

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Green manure													
Buckwheat													Sow outdoors 6 May – 15 Jul
Oilseed radish													Sow outdoors 1–30 Sep
Phacelia													Sow outdoors 19 Apr – 10 Sep
White mustard													Sow outdoors 1 Jun – 10 Sep
Perennials													
Asparagus													Plant out 21 Mar – 15 Apr
Globe artichoke													Start indoors 20 Mar – 17 Apr · Plant out 15–29 May
Horseradish													Plant out 1–30 Apr
Jerusalem artichoke													Plant out 1 Mar – 30 Apr
Rhubarb													Plant (autumn) 1–30 Sep
Strawberry													Plant out 1 Jul – 31 Aug

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