



Fall is for Planting.....

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Always Contact Diggers Hotline or your State's Underground Utility Locating Service

3 business days before digging

It's FREE

Call 811 or file online (In WI its diggershotline.com)

Edibles

Select vegetables that will be ready to harvest before end of growing season

Check Number of days to first fall frost

Check back of seed packet or plant tag for number of days from planting to harvest

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A few Short season/cool weather options

Greens – leaf lettuce, spinach, kale and Swiss chard

Radishes – salad radishes ready in 25-30 days

Selecting Radishes https://www.melindamyers.com/audio-video/melindas-garden-moment-audio-tips/vegetables-herbs-fruits/radishes-of-all-sizes-shapes-and-colors?ccm_paging_p=2

Beets- eat greens & roots, harvest in 60-90 days

Carrots

Store in the ground – after soil lightly freezes, mulch and harvest during winter thaw

Planting small seeds https://www.melindamyers.com/audio-video/melindas-garden-moment-videos/planting-starting-new-plants/4-ways-to-make-sowing-small-seeds-easier?ccm_paging_p=4

Sugar snap peas – 60 to 70 days

Patio Pride – AAS winner, compact variety matures in

<https://all-americanselections.org/product/pea-patio-pride/>

Cabbage – 60 to 100 days

Katrina – AAS Winner,

45 days from transplant, 55 days from seed

<https://all-americanselections.org/product/cabbage-katarina/>

Broccoli- 60 to 70 days

Cauliflower – 50 to 60 days

Garlic - plant in fall (6 weeks before the ground freezes)

or very early spring for summer harvest

Plant cloves – 2 to 3” deep and 6” apart



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Extend the Season <https://www.gardeners.com/buy/gardening/season-extending/>

Floating Row Covers

Cloches

High Tunnels

Coldframes

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Cool Weather Annuals & Fall Containers Gardens

Fill voids in existing containers or start new ones

Mix edibles and cool weather annual flowers

Grasses, perennials and vines

Thriller, spiller and filler design strategies

Cool Wave and other winter hardy pansies

Hanging basket of pansies, parsley & red kale

With bulbs to extend or double bloom, mask declining foliage

Ornamental Cabbage & Kale

with pumpkins and mums

Dianthus (pinks), alyssum, pansies & dusty miller

Stock (*Matthiola*) and pansies

Snapdragons

2019 National Garden Bureau Year of Snapdragon

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Greens for eating and beauty

Swiss chard, ornamental cabbage, pansies & golden moneywort

Swiss chard, kale and mum

Swiss chard, rudbeckia, golden moneywort

Mums and kale with pumpkins and gourds

Pumpkin planted with succulents, mum and pansies

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Dried Materials

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Bulbs

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Wait until night temperatures are consistently in 40's and low 50's

Plant Bulbs 2 to 3 times their height deep

Space according to label – closer for short lived bulbs

Increase impact

Minor (small bulbs) groups of 15 to 20

Larger bulbs groups of 5 to 9

Naturalizing - toss and plant for a “natural look”

Plant early, mid and late bloomers

Reduce maintenance and increase beauty

Double up plantings – double bloom or extend flowering

Daffodils with squills or grape hyacinths – equally assertive

Hyacinths with glory of the snow

All together – tulips, daffodils, hyacinths & fritillaria

Virginia bluebells, daffodils

Plant bulbs w/ hardy pansies like Cool Wave – fall and spring bloom

Plant bulbs with perennials

double or extend bloom

perennials mask declining bulb foliage

Lawn art – Siberian squills (hard to remove if you change your mind)

Extend Bloom Time

Very early blooming

Winter aconite

Snowdrops

Summer

Lilies

Allium (some are fibrous rooted not bulbs)

Fall

Autumn crocus (*Colchicum*)

Allium senescens glaucum

Allium ‘Sugar Melt’

Longfield Bloom Time Chart

<https://blog.longfield-gardens.com/test/bloom-time-chart-for-spring-and-summer-bulbs/>

Wildlife

Resistant Bulbs

Daffodils, hyacinths, grape hyacinths, squills, fritillaria,

Crocus tommasinianus

Protection

Bulbs cages, structures....

Repellents

Plantskydd - organic

Mulching to prevent early sprouting and frost heaving

Wait until ground is frozen to apply mulch

Forcing Bulbs

12 - 15 weeks of 35 to 45 degrees to initiate bloom

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Sprinkle grass seed over soil after planting for added greenery

Chill bulbs then place in glass vase with pebbles

Plant extra for arrangements

Mums, Asters and Perennials

Warm Soil and Cool Air great for plant establishment

Mums and Asters

Find new ways to include them in the landscape

Containers on steps, patio and deck and fill voids in the garden

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Use as permanent addition to perennial beds and shrub borders

Increase survival by leaving them stand for winter and winter mulching

Buy in spring, plant, pinch back to 6" through June

U of MN hardy mum introductions – Mammoth Mums

<https://mnhardy.umn.edu/varieties/flowers/chrysanthemums>

Other Perennials

Amend soil w/ compost, manure or other organic matter before planting

Dig, Divide and replant early flowering perennials

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Native Plants

Six weeks before the ground freezes

Ephemerals planted in fall – just roots so often sold as bare root plants

Healthy Spring bloomers may look weather worn but ok to plant in fall

Seeds – Dormant planting – seed in ground for winter, sprouts in spring

Trees

Take care when moving from nursery to home

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Check for overhead and underground utilities

Find root flare

Planting hole

Depth from root flare to bottom of root ball

Width 2 to 5 times wider than root ball

Set in hole – moving by root ball not trunk – ask for help

Remove wire cage and peel back burlap

Some nurseries won't guarantee if you do this

Loosen any girdling roots

Backfill with existing soil

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Shrubs

Crown (where roots meet stems) at or slightly above soil surface

Hole same depth as distance from crown to bottom of root ball

Hole width 2-3 times as wide as root ball

Properly Space

Roll pot to loosen roots if needed and slide plant out of pot
OR remove bottom of pot then slice side of pot and peel off

Set in hole then slice pot if roots don't fill pot

Loosen any girdling roots

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Trees and Shrubs

Mulch – pull away from trunk and stems

Water – thoroughly

Check once or twice a week depending on soil type,
rainfall, and temperatures

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Properly space trees and shrubs for longevity

Fill in voids with annuals and perennials

Each year you need fewer annuals, dig and move perennials as
trees and shrubs approach maturity

Minimal pruning of newly planted trees and shrubs

Remove crossing branches, rubbing branches,
co-dominant stems

Save major pruning – for once plants are established

Remove tags that may girdle plants as they grow

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