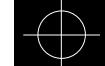


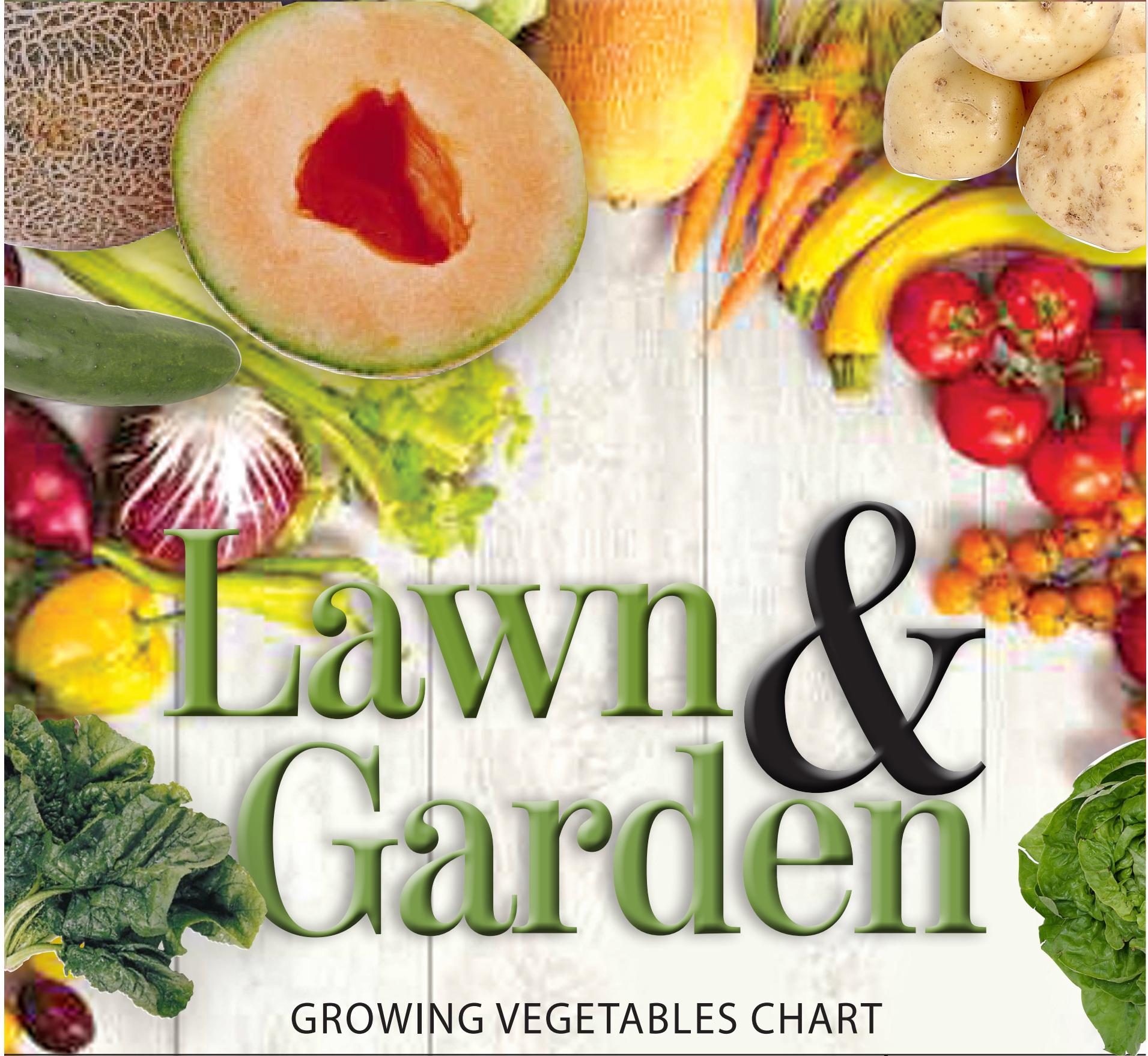
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GROWING VEGETABLES CHART

VEGETABLE	START SEEDS OUTDOORS	SOIL TEMPERATURE	WHEN TO FERTILIZE	WHEN TO WATER
Beans	Anytime after last frost	48-50 degrees	After heavy bloom	Regularly
Broccoli	4 weeks before last frost	55-75 degrees	3 weeks after transplant	During drought conditions
Cabbage	anytime after last frost	38-40 degrees	3 weeks after transplant	2 to 3 weeks before harvest
Carrots	4-6 weeks before	39-41 degrees	In fall, before spring	During drought conditions
Corn	2 weeks after last frost	46-50 degrees	When 8 to 10 inches tall and again at first appearance of silk	When tassles appear and cobs start to swell
Cucumbers	1-2 weeks after last frost	65-70 degrees	1 week after bloom and again 3 weeks later	Frequently
Lettuce	2-3 weeks after last frost	40-75 degrees	2-3 weeks after transplant	Once a week
Melons	2 weeks after last frost	55-60 degrees	1 week after first bloom, and again 3 weeks later	Once a week
Onions	4 weeks before	34-36 degrees	When bulbs start to swell	During drought conditions
Peas	4-6 weeks before	34-36 degrees	After heavy bloom	Regularly
Peppers		70-80 degrees	After first fruit	Once a week
Potatoes	2-4 weeks before	55-70 degrees	At first bloom	Regularly
Pumpkins	1 week after last frost	55-60 degrees	Just before vine starts to run	During drought conditions
Spinach	4-6 weeks before	55-65 degrees	When plants are 1/3 grown	Once a week
Squash	1 week after last frost	55-60 degrees	Just before vine starts to run, and about one foot tall	During drought conditions
Tomatoes		50-55 degrees	Two weeks before and after first picking	Twice a week

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