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CORN, G 90 Funks

This variety is vigorous, reliable, and easy to grow. G90 is a standard corn variety, which means it has a traditional corn flavor with moderate sweetness.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates:

2/15-5/1 -- 3/1-5/15

Sow depth: 1/2 inch

Space Between: 10-12 inches

Days to Maturity: 69-92

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CORN, Golden Bantam

This is the old standard yellow sweet corn that has been the home gardener's favorite since the beginning of the twentieth century.

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2/15-5/1 -- 3/1-5/15

Sow depth: 1/2 inch

Space Between: 10-12 inches

Days to Maturity: 69-92

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SUMMER SQUASH

Yellow Crookneck

Hybrid Strain of the old Southern classic. Yields continuously.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates:

3/1- 8/15

Sow depth: 1/8 inch

Space Between: 36 inches

Days to Maturity: 50-90

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SQUASH

Early White Bush Scallop

Heavy bush plant. Squash is a pale green disk with a scalloped edge.

Best harvested and eaten when young and still pale green.
Use like other summer squash.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates: 3/1- 8/15

Sow depth: 1/8 inch

Space Between: 36 inches

Days to Maturity: 47



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CUSHAW, STRIPED

Cushaws are large, long-necked pumpkins that have meaty and finer-textured flesh.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates:

For a Halloween harvest plant 6/15-7/10; otherwise plant 3/15-9/15

Sow depth: 1/2 inch

Space Between: 36-60 inches

Days to Maturity: 60-120

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CUCUMBER, Poinsett 76

Dark green, 2-2 ½ in wide. Moderately vigorous. Straight blossom end tapers

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates: 3/1-9/1

Sow depth: 1/4 inch

Space Between 12-18 inches

Days to Maturity: 60



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ZUCCHINI, Dark Green

Dark Green Zucchini Summer Squash seeds produce a green squash variety with exceptionally high yields of flavorful zucchini. When this long green squash is mature it can be up to 10-12" in length!

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates: 3/1- 8/15

Sow depth: 1/8 inch

Space Between: 36 inches

Days to Maturity: 50-90

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OKRA

Emerald Green Velvet

Plants produce heavy yields of long dark green okra. Pods are thick-walled, tender, and spineless. Stays tender even when very large. Retains color when frozen or canned.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates: 3/1-8/1

Sow depth: 1/2 inch

Space Between: 12 inches

Days to Maturity: 55

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OKRA, Cowhorn

Cowhorn Okra is an heirloom variety with long, slender pods that remain tender even at 6 to 10 inches long. An early producer. Great for pickling!

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates: 3/1-8/1

Sow depth: 1/2 inch

Space Between: 12 inches

Days to Maturity: 55

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OKRA, Clemson Spineless

Heirloom. High yields of spineless, tender ribbed pods with excellent flavor. Harvest pods when 3 Inches Long. Pods get much bigger, but small pods are more tender.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates: 3/1-8/1

Sow depth: 1/2 inch

Space Between: 12 inches

Days to Maturity: 55



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PEA, PINKEYE Purple Hull

Heirloom 1700's

Upright determinate, non-vining bush-type plant. Pods are straight, green when immature, and turn a dark purple when mature. Average 11 peas per pod. Pods cluster and sit well off the ground above foliage level.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates: 3/1-8/10

Sow depth: 1/2 inch

Space Between: 4-6 inches

Days to Maturity: 65

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COLLARDS

Georgia Southern

The most popular variety for collard greens, Georgia Southern's quick growth, and ability to tolerate weather extremes has kept this the gardener's choice for many years. Tall spreading plant with large crumpled dark green leaves.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates: 3/15 -10/1

Sow depth: 1/8 inch

Space Between: 6-12 inches

Days to Maturity: 75-80



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CUCUMBER

National Pickling

Heirloom 1924

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates: 3/1-9/1

Sow depth: 1/4 inch

Space Between: 12-18 inches

Days to Maturity: 50-65

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WATERMELON

Sugar Baby

Very good for home gardens. Small, mottled seeds

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates: 3/15-8/1

Sow depth: 1/2 inch

Space Between: 48 inches

Days to Maturity: 75

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WATERMELON

Crimson Sweet

Pretty, light green melon with dark stripes, Crimson Sweet is famous for its high sugar content and great flavor. Seeds are small and dark.

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates: 3/15-8/1

Sow depth: 1/2 inch

Space Between: 48 inches

Days to Maturity: 75

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MUSTARD Tender Greens

Donated 2022

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates:

Spring 2/1-3/15 Fall 7/15-11/10

Sow depth: 1/8 inch

Space Between: 1-2 inches

Days to Maturity: 35-50

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Spring 2/1-3/15 Fall 7/15-11/10

Sow depth: 1/8 inch

Space Between: 1-2 inches

Days to Maturity: 35-50

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IRIS

Louisiana Yellow

Donated By: Emelia Steilow
Organically Grown
Perennial
2022

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Choose an area of the garden where the plants will receive at least six hours of sunlight and set out rhizomes in late summer or fall. In the fall, as it begins to cool, plant the seeds in the garden in an area prepared with amended soil and that is weed free. Plant the seeds about $\frac{1}{2}$ " to $\frac{3}{4}$ " deep and a few inches apart, and mark the area.



HIBISCUS

Red Star of Texas

Donated By: Emelia Steilow
Organically Grown
Perennial
2022

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Sow seeds thinly about 1/4" deep in well-drained soil. Press the seeds into the soil and gently water. Seedlings grow relatively fast if given filtered but strong sunlight and lightly fertilized. Spring-sown seedlings will be large enough for a one-gallon container by the fall and will bloom the following spring.



MARIGOLD

Donated By: Emelia Steilow
Organically Grown
Perennial
2022

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

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COSMOS

Orange, Yellow, Diablo Burnt Orange,
Sulfur Orange

Donated By: Emelia Steilow and Meagan Villejah

Organically Grown

Perennial

Yellow, Orange and Burnt Orange 2022

Sulfur Orange 2023

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

You can rake the garden soil and scratch the area to make germination more successful. Cover seeds lightly with 1/8 to 1/4 inch of soil. Plants will pop up in seven to 14 days, and blooms will begin in approximately seven weeks or in late summer, lasting throughout the fall.

When germinating, seeds will need water to get started, but once the plants have established, you can basically forget them. They are very drought tolerant.



LETTUCE, SALAD BOWL

Donated: 2022

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Louisiana Planting Dates:

Spring- 1/15-3/15 Fall-9/15- 11/15

Sow depth: 1/8 inch

Space Between: 4-12 inches

Days to Maturity: 45-80



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CABBAGE, Copenhagen

Donated: 2022

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Spring- 1/15-3/15 Fall-9/15- 11/30

Sow depth: 1/8 inch

Space Between: 12-18 inches

Days to Maturity: 50-75



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AMARYLLIS

Red and White

Donated By: Desha Lee
Duson Louisiana
Organically Grown
Perennial
Open-Pollinated
2023

Can take up to 1 year- Slow Process

Found this information: <https://www.gardeninginla.net/blog/amaryllis-from-seed-to-bloom>

Scatter the papery shards as best you can in a single layer onto a wide-space bed of potting mix that's at least six inches deep for extensive root development.

1. Barely cover seeds with another sprinkling of potting mix. This thin layer will anchor papery seeds and keep barely moist with each watering for better germination.
2. Place container in a brightly-lit but shaded area with no direct sun to germinate. Keep barely moist.
3. Seeds will sprout over a long period - from weeks to months. They'll look like thin blades of grass.
4. When most have germinated - the pot will look like it's full of grass - move to a location where it'll receive a couple of hours of sun each day. Keep the soil mix barely moist.
5. I waited a good year before checking root growth and found bulblets ranging from one- to three-quarters of an inch wide. If I'd sown them with more space between, I'm sure more of the bulbs would be larger.



POPPY Red

Organically Grown
Perennial
Donated: 2020

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Plant seeds directly in the garden when the soil has warmed to around 65°F - 75°F. Start poppies from seed by firmly putting a few seeds on the soil; do not cover with additional soil. Poppy seeds need light to germinate. Space plants 6" to 12" apart (depending on the variety) to maximize air circulation and reduce powdery mildew.



PUMPKIN Jack- O-Lantern

Donated by: Desha Lee
Duson, LA
2022
Annual
Heirloom
Organically Grown

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

For a Halloween harvest plant 6/15-7/10;
otherwise plant 3/15-9/15
Sow depth: 1/2 inch
Space Between: 36-60 inches
Days to Maturity: 50-120

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CILANTRO

Donated by: Catherine S. Comeaux

2023

Annual

Organically Grown

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Plant cilantro during the cool days of spring or fall. Grow cilantro in an area that receives full sun and has rich, well-drained soil with a pH of 6.2 to 6.8. Offer afternoon shade if you live in a warmer climate.

Harvest cilantro leaves once they are large enough to eat. Avoid harvesting more than a third of the plant at any one time.

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ALYSSUM

Sweet White Clusters

Donated by: Desha Lee
2023

Organically Grown
Open Pollinated

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Plant them about eight to 12 inches (20 to 30 cm) apart. Seeds are so tiny that you can just sprinkle in the soil.



ZINNIA

Yellow

Donated by: Meagan Villejoin
2023

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Full Sun

Direct sow seeds in average soil in full sun after all danger of frost.

Sow seeds evenly 12 inches apart and cover with $\frac{1}{4}$ inch of fine soil.

Firm soil lightly with your hand, water, and keep evenly moist.

Seedlings will emerge in 7-10 days.

Thin seedlings stand 18-24 inches apart, depending on the variety, when they are about 1-2 inches tall.



FRENCH MARIGOLD

Donated by: Meagan Villejoin
2023

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Well-doubled flowers 2 in. across cover bushy plants from early summer to frost. Brilliant color blend of yellow, gold, and mahogany-red shades. Excellent for edgings, borders, and containers.

- Annual
- Light: full sun
- Height: 10 in.
- Planting depth: 1/4 in.
- Germinates: 7-14 days
- Spacing: 9 in. - 12 in.
- For earlier bloom, start seeds indoors 5-6 weeks before outdoor planting time



4 O'CLOCKS

Donated 2023
Perennials

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Average Water Needs; Water regularly; do not overwater.

Sun Exposure:

Full Sun

Sun to Partial Shade

Height:

24-36 in. (60-90 cm)

Spacing:

15-18 in. (38-45 cm)



SHELLING PEA

Donated: 2023

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Each 5" pod has 7-9 plump peas. A heavy producer, also called 'Laxton's Progress #9'. (Thomas Laxton was a renowned 19th-century strawberry breeder.) Plants are resistant to common wilt disease.

Days to Emerge: 5-10 days

Seed Depth: 1"

Seed Spacing: 2"

Row Spacing: 18"

Thinning: Not required.



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CANTALOUPE

Grower: Emilia Bellone
Donated 2023

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

Plant cantaloupe seeds in full sun in well-drained soil. They'll need about 85 days to mature, but don't rush things. Sow seeds only when temperatures reliably stay above 50°F to 60°F. Plant in groups of two or three seeds spaced 2 feet apart. Once the seedlings emerge, keep only the most robust individual plant in each group, pulling the rest.



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GREEN BELL PEPPER

Donated June 2023

PLANTING INSTRUCTIONS

- Sow seeds ¼ inch deep
- Keep the soil moist at 75 degrees F
- Seedlings emerge in 10-21 days



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