

# Template: Seasonal Organic Gardening Checklist

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Based on Article: "Seasonal Organic Gardening: What to Plant and When"

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A practical checklist to guide your seasonal organic gardening efforts, ensuring proper planting and harvesting schedules.

## Checklist Items:

### 1. Determine Frost Dates

Find out your last spring and first fall frost dates using local extension data or historical record.

Reference Section: How Seasonal Planting Works: Basics of Gardening by Season

### 2. Identify Hardiness Zone

Check your USDA Hardiness Zone to select appropriate perennial plants that will thrive in your climate.

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### 3. Map Microclimates

Assess your garden for warm and cool areas, noting with a log if certain spots perform differently than others.

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### 4. Build a Seasonal Calendar

Create a calendar detailing when to sow cool-season and warm-season crops based on frost dates and soil conditions.

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### 5. Gather Essential Tools

Collect durable hand tools and a reliable watering system, ensuring you have everything needed for planting and maintenance.

Reference Section: What You'll Need: Prerequisites for Seasonal Organic Gardening

### 6. Select Certified Organic Seeds

Choose high-quality organic seeds that are suitable for your growing zone and microclimate.

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### 7. Test Soil

Use a soil testing kit to check pH and nutrient levels, guiding your amendments for optimal growth.

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### 8. Plan Transplanting Schedule

Calculate the best times for transplanting seedlings based on their days-to-maturity and local frost dates.

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### 9. Monitor for Pests

Identify common pests in your area and develop a plan for organic controls to protect your crops.

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### 10. Adjust for Weather Conditions

Be prepared to make changes to your planting schedule based on actual weather conditions and emerging frost threats.

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