

HOW TO IMPLEMENT YOUR CROP PLAN

A crop plan considers what, when, where, and which plants to grow in relation to their requirements for space, sun, water, season of planting, and tolerance for other plants.

Key Questions to Consider:

- What you want to plant
- Which season is best for the plants to grow in
- If you're directly seeding or transplanting seedlings
- When you want the crop to be ready to be harvested

Another big question is what your garden or bed looks like. This can affect how much of what you plant.

My garden/bed looks like:

Crop Rotation

What is crop rotation?

- Not planting the same crop in the same soil or place for a period of years (i.e. tomatoes in the same place every year)

Why is crop rotation important?

- Allows for a more balanced soil fertility and microbial balance
- Prevents buildup of pathogens in soil that can infect and reinfect particular families of plants
- Plants absorb different quantities of soil nutrients, and repeated plantings will quickly deplete the soil

