

Cool Season Veggies

- Whether you just want to grow a few salad leaves or desire to become self sufficient in Veggies, Winter in South east Queensland offers the best opportunity to achieve these goals.
- Are You Ready?



But First – Things to consider!



- How much time can you devote?
- How much space do you have?
- What style of growing, open beds, raised beds, no dig beds?
- How much water do you have available?
- Do you plan to be away for long periods during this growing season?

What do you want to grow?

- There is no point in growing crops that you don't like!
- List the Veggies you actually like to eat.
- Then Group these say into, Brassica's, Beans, Roots, Garlic, salad etc.
- Consider the overall Cool Season.
- It is just as important to consider the conditions at maturity as planting.
- Give an indication of growing time to maturity:
 - - short – lettuce, Radish, Pak Choy, Jap Turnip, coriander
 - - medium – Potatoes, carrots, beetroot, beans, peas, brassica's, celery
 - - long – garlic, parsnips, broad beans

Now do you have enough space?

- Things to consider!
 - - crop groupings
 - - successional sowing
 - - inter planting
 - - summer crop areas becoming available
 - - high value v. low value crops
 - - crop rotation



Seeds or Seedlings?

- Seeds will save you money and provide choice of varieties.
- Purchased seedlings give you a jump start and are particularly useful for early season plantings and long maturity period crops, such as leeks and celery



Just a couple of tips

Sprout Seed potatoes before planting



Protect Brassica plants against Cut Worms



So are you ready?

Green Manure Crops @12th February



Creating Ridged Beds



The Hazard of Extreme Weather



Here's to happy growing

