

Clallam County Gardening Calendar



April

Vegetables

- Direct seed cool-season vegetables into the garden including arugula, beets, carrots, chard, greens (Asian and mustard), lettuce, onions, peas, potatoes, radishes, spinach, and turnips. (See recommended varieties on back.)
- Harden off and transplant cabbage family and leek starts into the garden. Cover, if temperatures are likely to dip below freezing.
- Start basil, eggplants, peppers, squash, and tomatoes indoors under lights.
- Use row covers to protect beets, chard, and spinach from leaf miners.
- Cover carrots immediately after planting with row cover to protect against carrot rust fly.
- Check cabbage family crops for caterpillars.
- Remove heavy mulch from garlic. Fertilize with a balanced fertilizer (equal amounts of N, P, and K) when tops are 6–8 inches tall.

Fruit trees

- If trees have had past problems with brown rot, scab, or mildew, spray with fungicide registered for those problems following instructions on label. Do not apply fungicides while trees are in bloom.

Berries

- Plant blueberries, raspberries, blackberries, and strawberries.
- Remove dead canes from raspberries and blackberries and trellis second-year canes, if you have not done so.
- Rake soil under blueberries and mulch, if mummy berry has been a problem in the past.
- Fertilize raspberries and blackberries with 5:10:10 or a balanced fertilizer, if not fertilized in March.
- Fertilize blueberries with 2-8 Tbsp. ammonium sulfate per plant (amount depends on age of plant) or 1 Tbsp. of fish emulsion diluted in 1 cup water late in month.

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Locally recommended spring and summer vegetable varieties:

- Arugula – Astro, Esmee, Red Dragon
- Beets – Bull’s Blood, Detroit Dark Red, Spring Color Beet Blend
- Broccoli – Aspabroc, Di Cicco, Gypsy, Thompson
- Cabbage – Caraflex, Golden Acre, Gonzales, Minuet, Parel, Tiara
- Carrots – Danvers Half Long, Ingot, Mokum, Yaya
- Cauliflower – Amazing, Snow Crown
- Chard – Bright Lights, Golden, Perpetual, Rainbow Blend, Rhubarb
- Greens (Asian and mustards) – Bok Choi, Ching Chiang, Komatsuna, Pac Choi, Tah Tsai, Wasabina
- Kale – Beira Tronchuda, Curled Scot, Dazzling Blue, Nero Di Toscana, Improved Dwarf Siberian, Red Russian, Red Ursa, Redbor
- Leeks – King Richard, Pandora
- Lettuce – Buttercrunch, Continuity, Drunken Woman Frizzy Headed, Little Gem, Merlot, Outredgeous, Parris Island Cos, Red Sails, Salad Bowl
- Onions – Ailsa Craig, Barolo, Pacific Pearl, Patterson, Red Guardsman, Rossa di Milano, Walla Walla
- Peas – Alderman, Oregon Sugar Pea Pod II, Super Sugar Snap, Tom Thumb
- Potatoes – French Fingerling, Goldrush, Kerr's Pink, Nicola, Ozette, Purple Peruvian, Rose Thumb, Russet Norkotah, Russian Banana Fingerling
- Radish – Cherry Belle, French Breakfast, German Giant, Starburst
- Spinach – Olympia, Palco (slow bolting), Seaside
- Turnip – Hakurei, Purple Top White Globe

Plant Clinics

You can submit gardening questions to Clallam County Master Gardeners in the following ways:

- **In-person:**
Clallam County Courthouse in Port Angeles on Mondays, 9:30 am-12:30 pm, through October
Woodcock Demonstration Garden in Sequim on selected Saturdays (May 20, July 15, August 19, September 16), 9:30 am-12:30 pm
- **Online:** extension.wsu.edu/clallam/mg/plant-clinics/
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