SowGreat

FREE PLAN

Your SowGreat Plan

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Your Garden Profile

Location:	94043	**USDA Zone:**	Zone 10a
Garden Size:	Small	**Garden Type:**	—
Experience:	Some	**Sunlight:**	Partial
Growing:	Vegetables	**Seedlings:**	Start
Water Access:	—		

Recommended Plants

Vegetables

- **Kale 'Lacinato'** — Tolerates lower light and yields hearty greens across mild Bay Area winters.
- **Lettuce 'Buttercrunch'** — Thrives in partial shade and produces tender leaves throughout fall and winter.
- **Pak Choi 'Toy Choy'** — Compact size fits small beds perfectly and matures fast from seed.
- **Radish 'Cherry Belle'** — Quick and reliable to direct sow in small beds with partial sun.
- **Spinach 'Bloomsdale'** — Grows easily from seed in partial sun during cool Zone 10a autumns.
- **Swiss Chard 'Bright Lights'** — Handles partial shade easily and provides colorful continuous harvests in Zone 10a.

Seasonal Planting Schedule

	Sep				Oct				Nov			
Week of	9/6	9/13	9/20	9/27	10/4	10/11	10/18	10/25	11/1	11/8	11/15	11/22
Vegetables												
Kale	1				3							
Lettuce		1				3						
Pak Choi			4						4			
Radish		4				4					4	
Spinach			4					4				
Swiss Chard		1				3						

	Dec				Jan				Feb			
Week of	12/6	12/13	12/20	12/27	1/4	1/11	1/18	1/25	2/1	2/8	2/15	2/22
Vegetables												
Kale												
Lettuce												
Pak Choi												
Radish												
Spinach												
Swiss Chard												

1. **Start Seeds Indoors** — Plant seeds in small pots or trays inside your home to give them a head start before the weather is warm enough outside.
2. **Buy Seedlings** — Pick up young plants from a garden center. They're ready to go in the ground after a few days of adjusting to outdoor conditions.
3. **Transplant Outside** — Move your indoor seedlings or purchased plants into the garden. Wait until after the last frost for tender plants.
4. **Direct Sow** — Plant seeds straight into the garden soil. Best for plants that don't like being moved, or fast growers like lettuce and radish.

Watering Guide

In Zone 10a, consistent moisture is vital for establishing cool-season leafy greens during warm early autumn days. Provide 1 to 1.5 inches of water per week, applying moisture at the soil level early in the morning. Check soil moisture frequently, as partial sun and dry autumn breezes can cause the top layer of soil to dry rapidly.

Vegetables	
Kale	Give 1 to 1.5 inches of water weekly, soaking the root zone deeply once or twice a week.
Lettuce	Apply 1 inch of water per week in light, frequent waterings every 2 to 3 days.
Pak Choi	Deliver 1 inch of water weekly, keeping soil uniformly moist to prevent premature bolting.
Radish	Water lightly every 2 days to provide 1 inch weekly and prevent roots from splitting.
Spinach	Provide 1 to 1.5 inches of water weekly, maintaining evenly moist soil to keep shallow roots cool.
Swiss Chard	Supply 1 to 1.5 inches of water weekly whenever the top inch of soil feels dry.