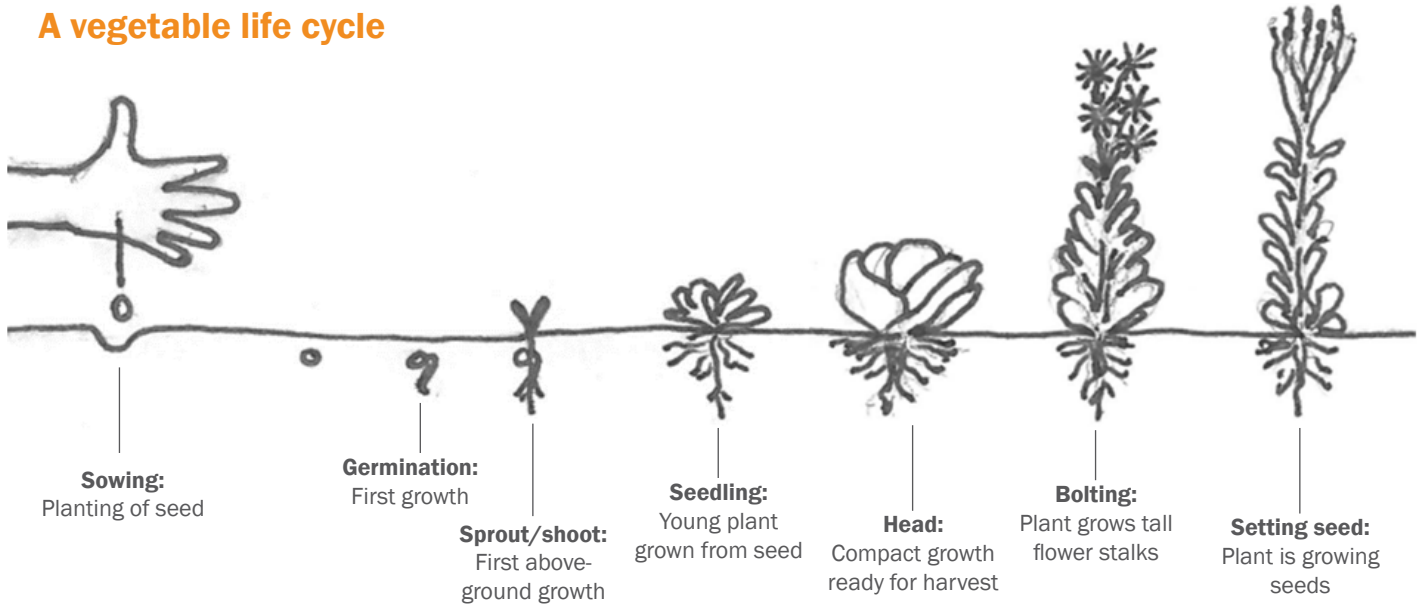


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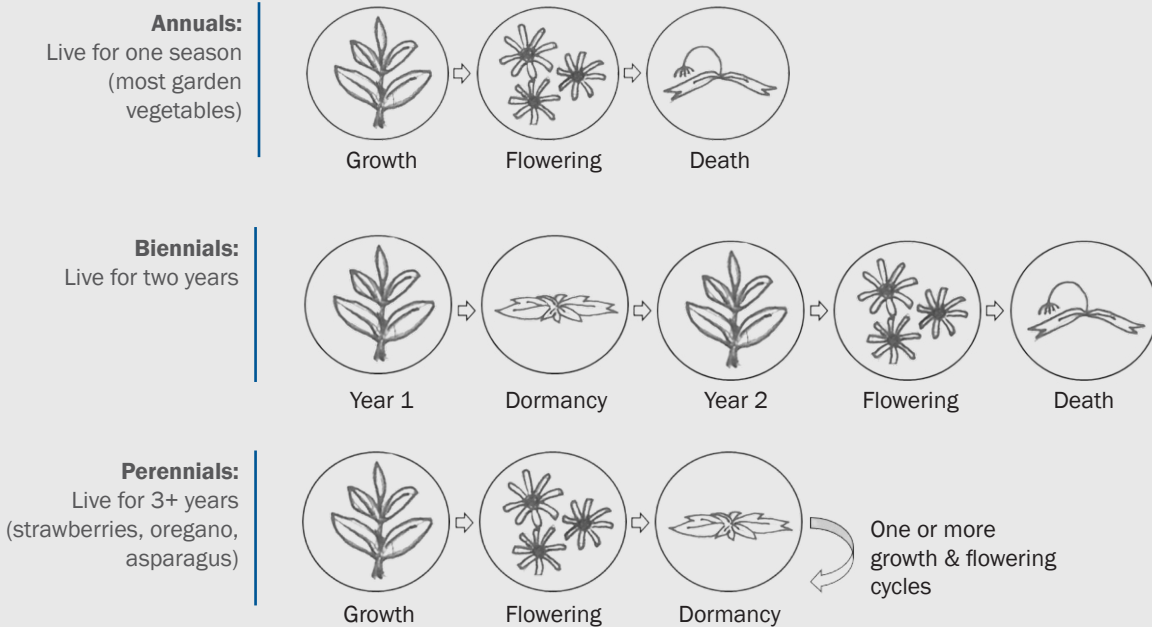
Key terms to know when growing plants



A vegetable life cycle



Three classifications of plant life cycles



How to read a seed packet


Bush varieties are determinate, meaning they are determined to stay smaller. Pole varieties are indeterminate, meaning they will keep growing up and setting fruit over a longer timespan.

Specific variety name.

BUSH BEANS
Provider
Phaseolus vulgaris

HERILOOM
Open Pollinated

50 days
Provider is a dependable green, bush, snap bean with a very good flavor. Beans are tender and have a nice crisp crunch. Provider is easy to grow and yields early.



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Heirlooms are older, tried and true varieties.

Open Pollinated (OP):
Seed can be saved if not cross-pollinated.

Days to Maturity (DTM):
Days from planting seed until harvest.

Year seed will germinate best. Different seeds remain viable longer than others and many can last several years. Store seeds in a cool, dry place.

How deep to plant seeds.

How warm the soil needs to be for seeds to sprout.

Number of days it takes for first leaves to come up.

How much sun the plant needs.

Distance you should leave between plants so they fully mature.

Growing Guide

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| Seed Depth: | 1" |
| Soil Temp for Germ: | 60° |
| Days to Germination: | 6 - 12 |
| Light Requirement: | Full sun |
| Thin Plants to: | 4" in row |

Sowing Outdoors: Plant seeds outdoors 1 to 2 weeks after your average last frost date, and when soil temperature is at least 60° F. Successive Sowings: Every 7 to 14 days up to 80 days before your average first fall frost date.

Sowing Indoors: Not recommended.

Growing Tips: In very hot summers areas, skip sowing as high heat approaches; temperature consistently above 90° F will prevent beans from forming.

When to start your seeds indoors and outdoors, in relation to average last frost date.

Some crops, like tomatoes, are not suited to sowing seeds outdoors, while others, like beans, are not suited to sowing indoors.

