SQUARE FOOT GARDENING

Plant Spacing Cheat Sheet

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Basics:

Divide your garden in 1'x1' squares.

Plant a different kind of vegetable, fruit, herb or flower in each square.

Use the "recommended space after thinning" guideline shown on the back of seed packets. Space plants evenly by subdividing each square into 4, 9 or 16 small squares.

Remember to write down what's planted in each square and the date you planted it, this way you have an idea of when to expect germination and harvest.

Tips:

Plant the tallest plants on the north side of the bed so that they don't shade the shorter plants.

Make your garden beds narrow enough that you can reach the plants in the middle or leave a pathway every 4 feet or so.

Put the plants that you harvest often, such as salad greens, around the edges of the bed where they are easier to reach.

Train summer squash and melons up trellises, or plant them at the edge of the bed so they can sprawl over the side without interfering with other plants.

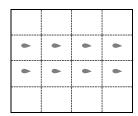


4128 Rd 39NE Domain, MB prairiegrovegreenhouse.ca (204) 792-1385 3" spacing = 16 plants/square foot Carrots Radishes

3" (on trellis) = 8 plants/square foot Peas

Pole Beans

Parsnips



4" spacing = 9 plants/square foot Bush Beans Spinach Beets, Turnips

Leeks, Onions,

Garlic



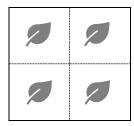
6" spacing = 4 plants/square foot Lettuce

Swiss Chard

Corn

Basil

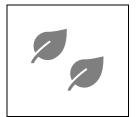
Thyme



8" spacing = 2 plants/square foot Cucumbers (on trellis)

Sweet Potatoes

Kale



12" spacing = 1 plant/square foot

Tomatoes Potatoes
Eggplant Broccoli
Peppers Cabbage
Celery Most Herbs
Cauliflower Asparagus



18"-24" = 1 plant/2 square feet

Zucchini Pumpkins Melons

