

Tips on Prepping a Garden Bed



1. **Weeding:** Remove gently and shake off soil (if there are lots of weeds, try next 2 steps).
2. **Removing crops/plants:** Cut at base to remove but leave root system in soil to decompose.
3. **Sheet mulching:** Add layer of cardboard or newspaper on top to suppress weeds and maintain soil structure; wet the sheet mulch if planning to transplant immediately.
4. **Adding organic matter:** On top of the sheet mulch, add a thick layer (2-3 inches) of compost
5. **Planting seeds or transplanting seedlings:** Direct sow seeds according to seed packet; Transplant seedling by making a hole with a trowel deep enough to place the entire plug (make sure to puncture through the sheet mulch) and then gently cover with soil and press into place. Check spacing requirements online since this varies from crop to crop.

Suggested plant
list and example
planner



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Using Row Cover

What is row cover? Why use row cover?

Row cover is a transparent or semi-transparent flexible material used as a protective covering for plants. It is often made from fabric or plastic and allows air, sunlight and water to pass through. It can extend the growing season by reducing the effects of cold, wind and pests. It also creates a micro-climate to help young seedlings adapt to the larger environment.

How do I use row cover?

Row cover needs to fully cover your designated growing space with a structure to lift it above the plants. Using weights on the edges can keep the row cover in place.

Where can I buy row cover?

At Ace Hardware, Home Depot, online and other stores that sell garden supplies.



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