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*Wondering When to
Plant Onions?*

Tips for proper planting

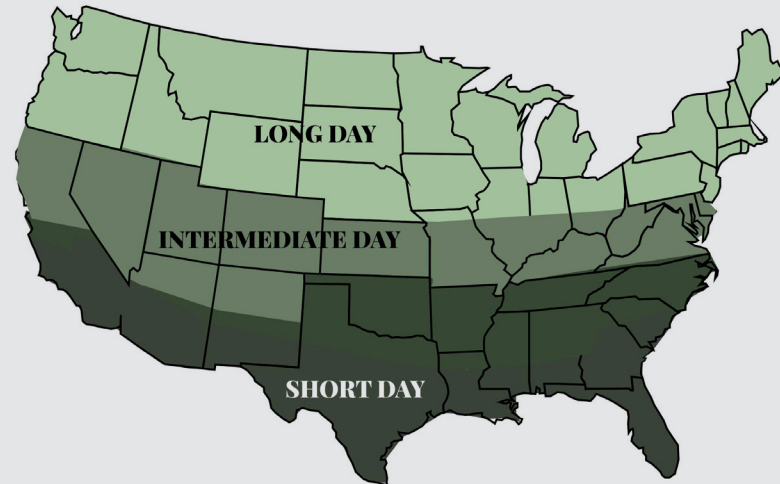
Onions are an excellent choice for both beginner and seasoned growers; they thrive in most conditions, are easy to maintain, and are satisfying to harvest. Many things can influence the best time to plant onions, including the following factors:

The Temperature

It only makes sense that temperatures contribute to when to plant onions- or any crop for that matter. Onion plants are tolerant to temperatures as low as 20-degrees F, as long as they have a fairly well-established root system. The best way to ensure this is by using onion plants, rather than seeds or sets. Autumn can be fickle, and the weather be inconsistent. If you have freezing Fall temperatures for a few days, wait to plant. It is imperative that your onions have roots that can withstand the weather to thrive to become hardy and bountiful.

The Grow Zone

Another factor that influences when to plant onions is your grow zone. Also referred to as hardiness zones, this is a way to identify planting seasons for each region across the country. This map is configured by industry experts that take many factors into account to identify the best types and times to grow. It always makes sense to plant according to your grow zone- and to know what grow zone you are in before planning what and when you will plant. Regarding onions, you typically want to plant them six weeks prior to the average last frost date for your area.



Length of Day

The country is comprised of three regions with varying lengths of day- similarly to grow zones but different. For instance, those up north plant later in year, while southern states plant earlier. Length of day determines average temperature and daily sunlight, so it is an important aspect to consider when evaluating when to plant. Where do you live? Do you experience a long day, intermediate day, or short day? The length of day will influence when to plant to ensure



Take the guesswork out of planting. Talk to the onion pros.

Nobody wants to plant too early or miss the boat by planting too late; talk to a grow pro, who can offer tips and plants for a successful onion harvest. Figure out your own grow zone and length of day to determine when and how to best go about planning your gardens and crops. Visit dixondalefarms.com to find out the best time and method for planting your onions this year, and enjoy a bounty of delicious onions come harvest season!



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