

	early spring	late spring	early summer	late summer	early autumn	late autumn	early winter	late winter
Gardening tasks and tips	Plant early potatoes, onions and shallots 2A2	Plant main crop potatoes, broad beans and peas	Plant out summer bedding and position hanging baskets and planters outside	Sow green manures in empty beds	Start planning for winter – order catalogues for next year's spring bulbs and seeds	Plant out winter bedding plants	Review successes and failures of last year and make notes	Divide snowdrops and plant in the green
	Plant summer flowering bulbs	Sow direct hardier seeds (eg beetroot, carrots, spinach, salad)	Water, water, water!	Stake tall plants	Plant out winter crops (eg spring cabbages)	Order new seeds and other plants	Prepare seed beds and sow some vegetables under cover 2A5 6A2	
	Sow annuals and vegetable seeds under protection	Sow seeds for summer crops under protection (eg runner beans, sweetcorn, courgettes, squashes)	Keep weeds down by hoeing regularly – before you see the weeds! 1A3	Deadhead plants to encourage more flowers	Sow seeds for winter crops	Plan your vegetable crop rotations for the coming year 2A3 2B3	Chit potato tubers, sow broad beans, start forcing rhubarb	
	Sow hardy annuals outdoors	Prepare hanging baskets and planters, but keep protected from late frosts 1B2	Protect vulnerable crops with netting or cages	Clear ponds of weeds and keep topped up with water	Collect and sow seeds from perennials and hardy annuals 1A4	Clean and repair any tools, flower pots and other equipment 2A11	Dig and test soil, apply fertilisers 2A4 2A7 2A9 2B5 2B6	
	Protect new plants from slugs and other pests 4A7	Feed roses and shrubs	Ventilate and shade greenhouses to prevent them getting too hot 3A9 3B2	Care for houseplants while on holiday 3A11	Plant spring flowering bulbs	Make repairs to greenhouses and check heaters are working	Prune raspberry canes 2B2	
	Mulch soft fruits and flowerbeds	Sow new lawns, repair patches, feed existing lawns and start mowing weekly 1A6	Harvest salad crops and early potatoes	Dig up and dry onions	Clean out cold frames and greenhouses, ready for use over winter 3A10	Check cloches are secure for winter protection 3A3	Prune winter flowering shrubs and hedges 1A9	
	Keep weeds under control 2A10	Lift and divide overcrowded spring flowering bulbs	Pick and store herbs	Creatively use or store any food gluts (eg tomatoes, courgettes, sweetcorn, onions, potatoes) 5B1	Harvest crops and autumn raspberries	Insulate outdoor taps and prevent ponds from freezing	Prune greenhouse climbing plants	
	Feed and water indoor and greenhouse plants 3A4	Check plants for pests and signs of disease 2A8	Pick soft fruits and flowers	Prepare new strawberry beds	Place netting on ponds to protect from leaf fall	Harvest winter vegetables (eg parsnips, cabbages, sprouts)	Start a compost heap 2A6 2B4 6A6	
						Put out food and water for birds 4A6 4A8		
Seasonal project ideas	Start planning places to visit throughout the summer for ideas and inspiration 1A11 1B6 3B5	Find out about gardening competitions and campaigns and get involved 1B7	Take time to relax and enjoy the fruits of your labours!	Get creative in the kitchen using all your own produce Module 5	Use vegetables (eg courgettes, carrots, beetroot) to make a cake for a Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning event	Build a barbecue ready for next summer 6B2	Recycle your Christmas tree – shred it for mulch	Visit a garden centre for ideas and inspiration about seeds and planting 1A1
	Go to a seed swap fair and share what you have with other people	Get creative and bring art into your garden space Module 7		Enter your produce in a flower and produce show – you could win! 8B6	Make a bird box or bug hotel to entice wildlife into your garden to study Module 4	Install a greenhouse or polytunnel to extend your range of crops and growing period Module 3	Think about gardening as a career and find out about what's involved Module 8	Find out about garden design – both structure and planting – and become an expert 1A5 1A10 1B3 1B4