

MAY 2010						
SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Plant maincrop potatoes		Begin cutting asparagus spears		Plant aubergines into beds under glass		
Plant out caraway in a permanent bed. Allow some caraway plants to set seed for a permanent bed.						
Continue tying tomatoes to their support, removing side shoots and feed only once two trusses (bunches of flower heads) have appeared						
Begin hardening off half-hardy annuals and bedding plants grown in the greenhouse						
Cover tender plants in horticultural fleece if frosts persist						
Milton Keynes Garden Show				Malvern Spring Show		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Sow maincrop beetroots outdoors in a prepared bed, thin as required				Sow runner beans outdoors		
Plant out angelica when the plants are big enough		Thin out bronze fennel seedlings to around 15cm apart.				
Mulch pear, peach and plum trees to retain moisture						
Stake tall herbaceous plants such as delphiniums						
Keep an eye out for pests and diseases - early detection is important						
Malvern Spring Show						Essex show
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Sow asparagus peas in drills		Start harvesting peashoots every three to four weeks				
Sow chives into drills outdoors - sow seed in small pinches, 30cm apart			Plant out marigolds - use some as companion plants			
		Propagate strawberries from runners				
		Lift and divide primulas				
		Begin watering plants and lawns if weather is dry				
Essex show						
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Make final sowing of carrots to be used for storing later. Plant out runner beans, courgettes and squashes that you have sown earlier in a cold greenhouse						
Take cuttings of mint, rosemary and sage		Sow cumin in a sheltered spot				
Keep an eye out for whitefly on tomatoes and other crops in the greenhouse				Tie in shoots of wall-trained fruit trees		
Plant out summer bedding		Sow perennials outdoors				
RHS Chelsea Flower Show						
29	30	31				
Sow courgettes, marrows and squashes outdoors						
Plant out thyme						
You can plant tomatoes outside now if weather allows						
Complete planting of balled and container-grown hedges						
Chelsea FS		Tavistock G. Festival				



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