## COMPANION PLANTING GUIDE

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"Know Before You Grow"

Knowing which plants like to be planted with which plants and which *don't* will save you tons of heartache in your garden endeavors. My motto is "know before you grow." This season, refer to my complete companion planting guide *before* you start digging!

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PLANT	GOOD COMPANIONS	NOTES	BAD COMPANIONS
Asparagus	Basil, parsley, tomato	Pot marigold deters beetles.	Onion, chive, garlic, leek.
Beans	Beet (to bush beans only), cabbage family, carrot, celery, chard, corn, cucumber, eggplant, pea, potatoes, radish, strawberry.	Marigold deters Mexican bean beetles. Nasturtium and rosemary deter bean beetles. Summer savory deters bean beetles, improves growth and flavor.	Garlic, onion and shallot stunt the growth of beans.
Pole Beans	Carrot, cauliflower, chard, corn, cucumber, eggplant, pea, potato.	Marigold deters beetles.	Basil, beet, cabbage, fennel, kohlrabi, onion, radish, sunflower.
Beets	Bush beans, cabbage family, lettuce, onion.	Garlic improves growth and flavor.	Pole beans and beets stunt each other's growth. Mustard.

Brassica family (including broccoli, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, cauliflower, collards, kohlrabi, mustards, turnip)	Bush beans, beet, celery, chard, cucumber, lettuce, onion, potato, spinach.	Chamomile and garlic improve growth and flavor. Catnip, hyssop, rosemary and sage deter cabbage moth. Dill improves growth and health. Mint deters cabbage moth and ants, improves health and flavor. Nasturtium deters bugs, beetles, aphids. Southernwood deters cabbage moth, improves growth and flavor. Thyme deters cabbageworm.	Pole bean, tomato, strawberry.
Carrots	Bean, Brussels, cabbage, lettuce, onion, pea, pepper, radish, tomato.	Chives improve growth and flavor. Rosemary and sage deter carrot fly. Carrots, attract garden heroes—praying mantises, ladybugs, and spiders—that dine on insect pests.	Dill retards growth.
Celery	Bean, cabbage family and tomato.	Chives and garlic deter aphids. Nasturtium deters bugs and aphids.	Carrot, dill, parsley, parsnip.
Corn	Bush bean, cucumber, melon, parsley, pea, early potato, pumpkin, squash.	Odorless marigold and white geranium deter Japanese beetles. Pigweed raises nutrients from the subsoil to where the corn can reach them. Thyme and marigold repel earworm.	Tomato – the two are attacked by the same worm.
Cucumber	Bean, cabbage family, corn, pea, radish, tomato.	Marigold deters beetles. Nasturtium deters aphids, beetles, and bugs, improves growth and flavor. Oregano deters pests in general. Tansy deters ants, beetles, bugs, flying insects.	Sage is generally injurious to cucumber. Aromatic herbs and potato.

Eggplant	Bush bean, pea, pepper, potato.	Marigold deters nematodes.	Fennel.
Garlic	Beet, lettuce.	White garlic and onions repel a plethora of pests and make excellent neighbors for most garden plants, but the growth of beans and peas is stunted in their presence.	Bean, pea.
Kale	Bush bean, beet, celery, cucumber, lettuce, onion, potato.	Avoid following cabbage family crops; a relative of kale.	Pole bean, tomato.
Lettuce	Beet, cabbage family, carrot, onion, radish, strawberry.	Chives and garlic deter aphids.	Everybody loves lettuce!
Melons	Corn, pumpkin, radish, squash.	Marigold deters beetles. Nasturtium deters bugs and beetles. Oregano provides general pest protection.	Potato.
Okra	Basil, eggplant, and pepper.		Everybody loves okra!
Onions	Beet, cabbage family, carrot, chard, lettuce, pepper, strawberry, tomato, turnip.	Chamomile and summer savory improve growth and flavor. Pigweed raises nutrients from subsoil and makes them available to the onions. Sow thistle improves growth and health.	Onions stunt bean. Asparagus, pea, sage.

Parsnips	Bush bean, garlic, onion, pea, pepper, potato, radish.		Caraway, carrot, celery.
Peanuts	Beets, carrots.		Everybody loves peanuts!
Peas	Bean, carrot, corn, cucumber, radish, turnip.	Chives deter aphids. Mint improves health and flavor.	Garlic and onion stunt the growth of peas. Also, late potato is bad.
Peppers	Carrot, onion, pea.	Tomato in same family and okay. Sweet peppers work well with basil.	Fennel, kohlrabi.
Potatoes	Beans, cabbage family, corn, eggplant, pea.	Horseradish, planted at the corners of the potato patch, provides general protection. Marigold deters beetles.	Tomato – both are prone to the same blight. Cucumber, pumpkin, squash family, sunflower, turnip.
Pumpkins	Corn, melon, squash, radish.	Marigold deters beetles. Nasturtium deters bugs, beetles. Oregano provides general pest protection.	
Radishes	Bean, carrot, cucumber, lettuce, melon, pea.	Chervil and nasturtium improve growth and flavor. Lettuce improves flavor of radish.	Hyssop.

Spinach	Cabbage family, strawberry.		
Squash	Corn, melon, pumpkin, radish.	Borage deters worms, improves growth and flavor.  Marigold deters beetles. Nasturtium deters squash bugs and beetles. Oregano provides general pest protection.	Potato.
Strawberry	Bean, lettuce, onion, spinach, thyme.	Cabbage.	Borage strengthens resistance to insects and disease. Thyme, as a border, deters worms.
Sweet Potatoes	Marigold.		Beets, carrots, potatoes.
Swiss Chard	Bean, cabbage family and onion.	Avoid following beets, spinach. Benefits from following a legume crop.	Beets, spinach.
Tomatoes	Asparagus, carrot, celery, cucumber, onion, parsley, pepper.	Basil repels flies, mosquitoes, and worms and improves growth and flavor. Chives and mint improve health and flavor. Borage deters tomato worm, improves growth and flavor. Dill, until mature, improves growth and health. Marigold deters nematodes.	Corn – both are attacked by the same worm. Mature dill retards tomato growth. No cabbage family. Potato and tomato are prone to the same blight.
Turnips	Onion family, pea.	Avoid following cabbage family crops.	Potatoes.