



Potato Planting Guide

Planting

Potatoes enjoy a good root run in the soil so grow best in rich soil containing plenty of well rotted manure or compost (do not use fresh compost to minimise keeled slug problems) and do not lime the soil to minimise scab blemishes on developing tubers.

Many people think that early potatoes have got to be planted early and late potatoes late but this is completely wrong. Planting times are not critical and are dependant on weather, soil conditions and regional variations but below is a general guide. Use specially blended, high potash Potato Fertiliser when planting.

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First Earlies:

Area Coverage: 20 tubers will plant 20ft (6m)

Planting distance in row: 12 inches (30cm) apart

Distance between rows: 24 inches (60cm)

Plant: from end February

Harvest from: 8 - 12 weeks from planting

Second Earlies:

Area Coverage: 20 tubers will plant 25ft (7.4m)

Planting distance in row: 15 inches (37cm) apart

Distance between rows: 30 inches (75cm)

Plant: from mid March

Harvest from: 12 - 14 weeks from planting

Early Main crop:

Area Coverage: 20 tubers will plant 30ft (9m)

Planting distance in row: 18 inches (45cm) apart

Distance between rows: 30 inches (75cm)

Plant: from late March

Harvest from: 15 weeks from planting

Late Main crop:

Area Coverage: 20 tubers will plant 30ft (9m)

Planting distance in row: 18 inches (45cm) apart

Distance between rows: 30 inches (75cm)

Plant: from late March

Harvest from: 20 weeks from planting

