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Spring Garden Plot Plan

Use this grid to make a rough layout of your garden. Be sure you note the size of the plants when they are mature and use that information for the years to come. It's easy to forget just how large those tiny seedlings can become and space the plants accordingly.

NOTES:

Fall Garden Plot Plan

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NOTES:

Prepare the Ground for Planting.

The first time the plot is to be used for a garden, blend with the soil about 1 cubic yard of organic material—that's 27 cubic feet for every 300 square feet of area. The deeper you can mix it, the better. A rototiller is best, but the old fashioned shovel still works well.

In subsequent years, one cubic yard for every 400 square feet should be fine. A couple of weeks after the organic materials have been mixed in, you may want to do a pH test. If the results show that your soil is too acidic, add lime; if too alkaline, add sulfer. The ideal pH for a garden is about 6.0.

Take the time to measure the area of your garden and lawn and write it down here.

Area: _____

Amendment added: _____

How much: _____

Shopping List

- ❑ Organic Gardening Books
- ❑ Natural Pest and Disease Control Book
- ❑ Bug Identification Book
- ❑ Organic Compost
- ❑ Potting Mix
- ❑ Organic Fertilizer (like bat guano, kelp, and/or fish emulsion)
- ❑ Soil Test Kit
- ❑ Trap for Monitoring Insect Populations (like the Insect-a-Peel)
- ❑ Beneficial Microbes (like EM-1)
- ❑ Beneficial Fungi (like Root Maximizer)
- ❑ Catalytic Enzymes (like Nitron A-35)
- ❑ Humic Acid (for lawn care)
- ❑ Snail/Slug Control
- ❑ Weed Control (both a pre-emergent like Corn Gluten Meal and a post emergent like Nature's Avenger)
- ❑ Beneficial Insect Attractants (seed mix, pheromones, food, etc.)
- ❑ Critter Control (like Deer Off, Snake Stopper, Hot Pepper Wax, Bird Netting, etc.)
- ❑ Beneficial Insects (Ladybugs, Green Lacewing, Praying Mantids, Beneficial Nematodes, etc.)

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Early Indoor Seed Planting Records

Seed Type: Variety: Where Purchased:

Date Planted: Date Germinated:

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Transplants & Planting Directly in Ground

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Fertilizer Application Record

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Summary: What Was Fantastic (or not...)

For Next Year: Do's and Don'ts

To Do This Month: January_____

To Do This Month: February_____

To Do This Month: March_____

To Do This Month: April_____

To Do This Month: May_____

To Do This Month: June_____

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