

Planting Garlic

When to plant: Garlic should be planted in the fall- about 6 to 8 weeks before frost.

<u>Where to plant</u>: Select a sunny location with loamy, well drained soil. If you're planting in containers try *G&B Raised Bed & Potting* mix. For planting in the ground, mix in some *G&B Soil Building Conditioner*.

How to plant:

- Fertilize your soil with a high phosphorus fertilizer, such as *G&B Bud and Bloom*.
- Divide your head of garlic into individual cloves.
- Create a hole in the soil about 2 to 2 ½ inches deep.
- Place the cloves pointed end up in the holes. (This is very important, if they are upside-down they will not grow!)
- Cover your cloves with no more than 2" of soil. They do not need to be planted very deep.
- Leave 4 inches of space between each planted clove.
- Mulching can be done during the winter months, although it is typically not necessary in our climate. If you would like to mulch use straw or fallen leaves!
- In the early spring fertilize again with a high nitrogen fertilizer. We recommend *G&B Liquid All Purpose*.

<u>When to harvest</u>: Garlic will be ready to harvest when the tops start to turn yellow and begin to fall over. This will typically be in July or August.