## Square foot seeding spacer template

Instructions for creating the template
Step 1: $\quad$ Cut along dotted lines labeled with scissors that are numbered as 1

Step 2 Connect pages by connecting matching letters and arrows
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Tape the pages together at these connecting points.

Step 3 Cut along dotted lines labeled with scissors that are numbered as 2

Step 4 Cut out the inner area of the coloured 8 diamonds, circles, and squares

Step 5 Trace the template on to cardboard, wood, or other durable and flat-type of board, that will be good to use for adding seeds to your garden.

Step 6 Make the necessary cuts on the cardboard (or other material) similar to template.
Add colour to the shapes on the board to help identify each spacing type.

Step 7 Take to the square foot seeding board to the garden to help space out seeds when planting.
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## How to use a the seed spacer

Determine the best spacing option for your choice of seeds. For example, The Quick Planting Guide suggests that bean seeds are best planted when using the yellow circle spacing ( 9 plants per square foot).
Lay the seed spacing board flat on the garden soil. Use a stick or pencil to poke holes in the soil where the shape and colour on the board match your desired spacing. If desired, you can mark the pencil or stick to help estimate how deep to poke holes in the soil. For Example: When planting beans, poke holes through the yellow circles, and have the holes in the soil be $3 / 4^{\prime \prime}(2 \mathrm{~cm})$ deep.
Remove the seed spacing board, and drop seeds into the poked holes and cover fill in the holes with soil to finish planting the seeds.
Move the seed spacing board over and follow the same procedure to plant the next square foot of your garden.


| Seed spacing board details |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Colour | Shape | Plants per $\mathbf{1 f t}^{2}$ | Plant Spacing |
| Red | Diamond | 16 plants | 2 inches $(5.1 \mathrm{~cm})$ |
| Yellow | Circles | 9 plants | 3 inches $(7.6 \mathrm{~cm})$ |
| Blue | Square | 4 plants | 5.5 inches $(13.1 \mathrm{~cm})$ |
| Black | Centre circle | 1 plant | $1 \mathrm{ft}(30.5 \mathrm{~cm})$ |

## Quick Planting Guide

| Seed | Plant name | Seed size / description | Seeds/ sq ft | Seed spacing colour \& shape | Seed depth |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\cdots$ | Carrot | Tiny | 16 | Red diamonds | 1/4" (0.5 cm) |
| $\Leftrightarrow$ | Dill | Small | 16 | Red diamonds | $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}(0.5 \mathrm{~cm})$ |
|  | Radish | Small | 16 | Red diamonds | $3 / 4^{\prime \prime}(2.0 \mathrm{~cm})$ |
|  | Bean | Medium | 9 | Yellow circles | $3 / 4^{\prime \prime}(2.0 \mathrm{~cm})$ |
|  | Beets | Small | 9 | Yellow circles | $1^{\prime \prime}(2.5 \mathrm{~cm})$ |
|  | Bok choy | Small | 9 | Vellow circles | $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}(0.5 \mathrm{~cm})$ |
| - | Green onion | Stems | 9 | Yellow circles | Depth of roots |
|  | Lettuce | Tiny | 9 | Yellow circles | $1 / 4^{\prime \prime}(0.5 \mathrm{~cm})$ |
|  | Pea | Medium | 9 | Yellow circles | $1^{\prime \prime}(2.5 \mathrm{~cm})$ |
|  | Spinach | Small | 9 | Yellow circles | 1/2" (1.25 cm) |
|  | Turnip | Small | 9 | Yellow circles | $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}(1.25 \mathrm{~cm})$ |
|  | Kale | Tiny | 4 | Blue squares | 1/2" (1.25 cm) |
|  | Swiss Chard | Small | 4 | Blue squares | 1/2" (1.25 cm) |
|  | Rutabaga | Small | 4 | Blue squares | $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}(1.25 \mathrm{~cm})$ |
|  | Brussel sprout | Tiny | 1 | Black center circle | $1 / 2^{\prime \prime}(1.25 \mathrm{~cm})$ |
| - | Cabbage | Seedlings | 1 | Black center circle | Depth of roots |
| - | Peppers | Seedlings | 1 | Black center circle | Depth of roots |
|  | Potato | Tubers | 1 | Black center circle | $31 / 2^{\prime \prime}(9 \mathrm{~cm})$ |
| - | Strawberry | Seedlings | 1 | Black center circle | Depth of roots |
| - | Tomato | Seedlings | 1 | Black center circle | Depth of roots |

