

THE GARDENING NOTEBOOK

Garden Notebook Starter Pack

Six clean printable worksheets for planning, planting, observing, and improving a home garden season after season.

Use this pack as a working record, not a perfect binder. Print the pages you need, keep them near your seed trays or garden door, and review them before buying, sowing, transplanting, or changing a bed plan.

Crop profile and planning sheet

Indoor seed-starting log

Seasonal planting calendar

Raised-bed layout planner

Garden inventory organizer

Seasonal observation journal

WORKSHEET 1

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Crop Profile & Planning Worksheet

Use one page for each important crop or variety. This becomes your quick reference before sowing, feeding, pruning, and harvesting.

CROP AND VARIETY

BOTANICAL FAMILY

SEED SOURCE / BRAND

PACKET YEAR

WHY THIS CROP IS WORTH GROWING

GROWING CONDITIONS

SUNLIGHT

 Full sun Part shade Shade

GROWTH HABIT

 Bush Vining Determinate Indeterminate

WATERING FREQUENCY / METHOD

PREFERRED SOIL / NUTRIENTS

PLANT SPACING

ROW SPACING / SUPPORT

MAINTENANCE AND HARVEST

COMPANION PLANTS / USEFUL NEIGHBORS

PLANTS TO AVOID NEARBY

PEST AND DISEASE WATCH LIST

HARVEST WINDOW AND QUALITY NOTES

WORKSHEET 2

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Indoor Seed-Starting Log

Track each seed batch from sowing to transplant. Next season, the dates and germination notes will matter more than memory.

VARIETY	SOW DATE	MEDIUM	DEPTH	FIRST SPROUTS	GERM. %	POT UP	HARDEN OFF	TRANSPLANT

LIGHT CYCLE / SETTINGS

MOISTURE ROUTINE

FIRST FEED / DILUTION

GENERAL SEEDLING HEALTH

WHAT TO REPEAT OR CHANGE NEXT YEAR

WORKSHEET 3

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Seasonal Planting Calendar

Turn frost dates and packet instructions into real dates. Use the actual date column when the weather refuses to follow the plan.

LAST SPRING FROST

FIRST FALL FROST

GROWING ZONE / REGION

CALENDAR YEAR

MONTH / WEEK	CROP	METHOD	PLANNED WINDOW	ACTUAL DATE	SPACING	DAYS TO MATURITY	HARVEST STARTS

SUCCESION PLANTING REMINDERS

FALL GARDEN TRANSITION TARGETS

WORKSHEET 4

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Raised-Bed Layout Planner

Map one bed at a time. Keep north, supports, irrigation, and next year's rotation visible on the same sheet.

BED NAME / NUMBER

DIMENSIONS

SUN EXPOSURE

SOIL AMENDMENTS ADDED

LAYOUT GRID

TALL CROPS / TRELLIS PLACEMENT

COMPANION PAIRS IN THIS BED

IRRIGATION / ACCESS NOTES

NEXT ROTATION: WHAT NOT TO PLANT HERE

WORKSHEET 5

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Garden Inventory & Supply Organizer

Use this before buying seeds, compost, trays, tools, labels, or irrigation parts. A good inventory prevents duplicate purchases.

CATEGORY	ITEM / BRAND	ON HAND	CONDITION / EXPIRY	NEED TO BUY	VENDOR	EST. COST	STATUS

TOOL MAINTENANCE / SANITIZING CHECKLIST

SOIL, COMPOST, MULCH, OR AMENDMENT VOLUME NEEDED

WORKSHEET 6

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Seasonal Observations & Journal

Capture what the garden actually did. These notes turn one season's surprises into next season's plan.

WEEK / DATE RANGE
_____WEATHER PATTERN
_____HIGH / LOW TEMPERATURES
_____RAINFALL / IRRIGATION

PEST AND DISEASE PRESSURE

 None Light Moderate High

WHAT IS THRIVING RIGHT NOW

WHAT NEEDS ADJUSTMENT

FIRST BLOOMS, FRUIT SET, OR HARVESTS

BENEFICIAL INSECTS / WILDLIFE SIGHTINGS

LESSONS LEARNED THIS WEEK

PRIORITIES FOR NEXT WEEK