

Phenology Chart

The word Phenology is derived from the Greek phainomai - to appear, come into view - it is the study of annual plant & animal cycles & how they are influenced by seasonal changes.

<i>What to Do</i>	<i>When</i>
Plant peas	forsythia & daffodils blooms red winged blackbird females return the chickadees build their nests
Plant potatoes	first dandelion blooms the shadbush flowers
Plant beets, carrots, cole crops, lettuce and spinach	lilac is in first leaf the chickadees build their nests dandelions are blooming
Plant beans, cucs and squash	lilac is in full bloom
Plant tomatoes	lily-of-the-valley are in full bloom
Transplant eggplant, melon and peppers	irises bloom
Plant corn	apple blossoms start to fall oak leaves are the size of squirrels' ears
Seed fall cabbage and broccoli	catalpas and mockoranges bloom
Seed morning glories	maple leaves reach full size
Plant cool season flowers (pansies, snapdragons...)	aspen and chokecherry trees leaf out
Watch for hatching eastern tent caterpillars	crab apples start to bloom
Watch for gypsy moths to hatch	the shadbush flowers
Watch for squash vine borer eggs	chicory flowers
Watch for hatching Mexican bean beetle larvae	foxglove flowers open
Watch for the arrival of Japanese beetles	morning glory vines start to climb