

HANDY HINTS & TIPS

To encourage you to get planting (and a lovely opportunity for us to get together and have some fun!) Miracle will be hosting its first ever Miracle Grow Harvest Festival in October.

Miracle Growers are invited to come along and enter their prize produce, turnips, radishes and cucumbers into a competition, which will be judged by Miracle cast members.

Live outside of Cornwall? not to worry, there will be an online competition as well so we can enjoy the fruits of your labour where ever you live!

CHEERY BELLE RADISHES

- Begin planting in June, July or August
- Sow thinly in rows about 6" apart.
- Seedlings emerge in 4-6 days.
- Thin to stand about 2" apart
- Radishes should be ready by September or October

<http://www.diynetwork.com/how-to/outdoors/gardening/growing-cherry-belle-radishes>

VEICHES RED GLOBE TURNIPS

- Select a site that gets full Sun.
- Scatter turnip seed. Do not cover the seeds with more than ½ an inch of soil.
- Once seedlings are 4 inches high, thin "early" types 2 to 4 inches apart and LARGER maincrop types to 6 inches apart.
- Water at a rate of 1 inch per week to prevent the roots from becoming tough and bitter.
- Harvest turnips at any size you wish. The small, young turnips are nice and tender.

<http://www.almanac.com/plant/turnips>

BURPLESS GREEN CUCUMBER

- Cucumbers like the warmth so grow them in a greenhouse if you have one. Don't worry if you don't, this particular variety can be grown outside
- Start sowing when it's nice and hot, June, July AND August is best
- Sow the seeds on their sides at a depth of 1cm in 7.5cm pots of compost
- Place pots in a propagator or seal inside a plastic bag at 20C until they germinate – about 7 to 10 days
- Once germinated, move to a bright windowsill and grow until large enough to be transplanted, but keep out of direct sunlight!
- Transplant to your chosen spot being careful not to disturb the roots
- Don't remove the flowers as they require pollination from insects
- Cucumbers will appear on the plant from around 12 weeks from sowing!

<http://www.veggiegardener.com/veggies/cucumbers/>

ABOUT: All Miracle Grow seed sales go towards the next Miracle Grow project in early 2018. Miracle Grow is a new strand of Miracle Theatre nurturing the next generation of directors – safeguarding and investing in the future of Miracle and creating opportunities artists and new work for audiences.

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