

garden to table permaculture



Companion Planting Guide

Plant	Companions	Function	Bad companions
Apple	Nasturtium, Chives	Nasturtium climbs tree and repels codling moth.	Potatoes
Apricot	Basil, Tansy, Asparagus	Basil and tansy repel damaging insects	
Asparagus	Apricot, Basil, Chives, Comfrey, Lovage, Marjoram, Parsley, Tomatoes	Basil and Parsley improve flavour. Onions and garlic release substances reducing growth.	Garlic, Onions
Balm (Lemon)	Tomatoes	Attracts bees, said to enhance flavour and growth	
Basil	Tomatoes, Marigold	Basil repel flies and mosquitoes. Marigolds root secretions kill nematodes in the soil & repel white fly amongst tomatoes.	
Beans (climbing)	Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Carrots, Cauliflower, Corn, Cucumber, Lettuce, Lovage, Majoram, Parsley, Potatoes, most other vegetables and herbs.		Beetroot, Chives, Garlic, Gladiolus, Onions, Sunflower
Beetroot	Beans (bush), Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Kohl Rabi, Lettuce, Lovage, Marjoram, Onion, Peas, Potato, Spinach, Silverbeet	Bad Neighbours roots release substances reducing growth.	Beans (Climbing), Tomato
Borage	Squash, Strawberries, Tomato	Deter tomato worm and improve tomato flavour and yield. Increase strawberry yield.	
Brassicas (Broccoli, Cabbage, Cauliflower)	Aromatic plants, Beans, Beetroot, Carrots, Celery, Chamomile, Coriander, Cucumber, Dill, Lettuce, Lovage, Marjoram, Marigold (French), Mint, Nasturtium, Onions, Pea, Peppermint, Potatoes, Rosemary, Sage, Tansy, Thyme, Tomato & Dwarf Zinnias	Dill attracts a Cabbage White Butterfly controlling wasp. Nasturtium disguises and repels aphids. Sage repels the Cabbage White Butterfly. Zinnias attract ladybirds, which we love! Bad Neighbours roots release substances reducing growth.	Garlic, Rue, Strawberry
Capsicum, Chilli	Carrots, Onions, Tomato		
Carrots	Beans, Chives, Coriander, Cucumber, Leeks, Lettuce, Lovage, Marjoram, Onion, Pea, Radish, Rosemary, Sage, Tomato, Wormwood	Bad Neighbours roots release substances reducing growth.	Dill, Celery
Celery	Cabbage, Chives, Dill, Dwarf Beans, Leek, Lovage, Majoram, Onion, Pea, Sage, Spinach, Tomato	Bad Neighbours roots release substances reducing growth.	Carrots, Parsnip, Potato
Chamomile	Cabbage, Onion	Deters flies and mosquitoes. Strengthens neighbouring plants.	
Chives	Apples, Carrots, Cucumbers, Lettuce, Peas	Chives grown beneath Apple trees will help to prevent Apple Scab: beneath roses will keep away aphids & blackspot. Deters aphids on lettuce and peas. Chive spray will deter downy & powdery mildew on gooseberries & cucumbers.	Beans
Citrus	Bracken ferns and grapevines	Repels stink beetles	
Cucumber	Basil, Bens, Borage, Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Carrot, Cauliflower, Corn, Dill Kohl Rabi, Lettuce, Lovage, Marjoram, Nasturtium, Parsnip, Pea, Radish, Sunflower, Tansy	Bad Neighbours roots release substances reducing growth.	Potato, Sage, Strongly Aromatic Herbs
Dill	Brassicas (Incl: Broccoli, Cabbage, Cauliflower)	Dill attracts predator wasp for Cabbage White Butterfly.	
Eggplant	Beans, Spinach		
Garlic	Apricot, Cherry, Mulberry, Parsnip, Peach, Pear, Raspberry, Rosemary, Rose	Deters aphids, especially from roses & raspberry. Repels Cabbage White Butterfly.	Beans, Cabbage, Peas, Strawberry
Kohl Rabi	Beetroot, Onion		Beans, Tomato
Leek	Carrot, Celery, Lovage, Majoram, Onion, Parsnip, Strawberry		Beans, Peas, Parsley

Lettuce	Achillea, Beans, Beetroot, Cabbage, Carrot, Chervil, Coreopsis, Cucumber, Lovage, Marjoram, Marigold (French), Onion, Parsnip, Pea, Radish, Strawberry, Zinnia	Achillea, Coreopsis & Zinnia attract pollinators and offer shade for lettuce	Parsley
Marigolds (French)	Numerous vegetables, including tomato	Kills root knot nematodes and eel worm	
Melon	Radish, Sweet Corn		
Mint	Cabbage, Tomato	Deters pests such as Cabbage White Butterfly, ants and fleas	
Nasturtium	Cabbages, Fruit Trees, Radishes, Zucchini	Flowers repel aphids and codling moth. Cabbage white butterfly is attracted to this plant, and will seek it out over cabbages	
Onion	Beetroot, Broccoli, Cabbage, Carrot, Chamomile, Leeks, Lettuce, Lovage, Marjoram, Parsley, Parsnip, Silverbeet, Strawberry, Summer Savory, Tomato	Smell of onion said to deter numerous pests. Onions release substances reducing growth of Bad Neighbours	
Parsley	Asparagus, Sweet Corn, Tomato	Said to improve flavour of asparagus and tomato	
Peas	Beans, Beetroot, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Carrot, Cauliflower, Celery, Cucumber, Lettuce, Lovage, Marjoram, Parsnip, Potato, Radish, Sage, Squash, Sweet Corn	Bad Neighbours roots release substances reducing growth. Sweet Corn has traditionally been used as "living stakes" for peas	Chives, Garlic, Onion, Shallots
Potato	Beans, Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Corn, Eggplant, Horseradish, Lovage, Marjoram, Marigold (French), Nasturtium, Parsnip, Peas, Sweet Alyssum, Sweet Corn, Watermelon	Sweet Alyssum and Marigolds attract beneficials and suppress weeds. Potatoes release substances reducing growth of Bad Neighbours. Horseradish should be planted at the corners of the patch	Apple, Celery, Cherry, Cucumber, Pumpkin, Raspberry, Rosemary, Squash, Sunflower, Tomato
Pumpkin	Beans, Cabbage, Eggplant, Peas, Radish, Sweet Corn	Bad Neighbours roots release substances reducing growth	Potato
Radish	Beans, Carrot, Chervil, Cucumber, Sweet Corn, Cucumber, Lettuce, Lovage, Marjoram, Nasturtium, Parsnip, Pea, Spinach, Sweet Corn	Radish is said to attract leaf miners from Spinach	Hyssop
Raspberry			Blackberries, Potato, Tomato
Rosemary	Beans, Cabbage, Carrot, Sage	Said to deter Cabbage white butterfly. Attracts beneficials	
Sage	Brassicas (Incl: Broccoli, Cabbage, Cauliflower), Carrot, Rosemary	Sage repels the Cabbage White Butterfly	Cucumber
Silverbeet	Beetroot, Cherry, Lavender, Lovage, Marjoram, Onion		Basil, Wormwood
Spinach	Celery, Eggplant, Strawberries		
Squash	Borage, Lovage, Marjoram, Nasturtium, Peas, Sunflower, Sweet Corn, Tansy		Potato
Strawberry	Beans, Borage, Chives, Leek, Lettuce, Marigold (French), Onion, Pyrethrum, Sage, Spinach		Brassicas (Incl: Broccoli, Cabbage, Cauliflower), Brussel Sprouts, Garlic
Sunflower	Apricots, Cucumbers, Squash		Beans, Potato
Sweet Corn	Beans, Cucumbers, Lovage, Marjoram, Melon, Parsnip, Peas, Potato, Pumpkin, Radish, Squash, Zucchini	Sweet Corn has traditionally been used as "living stakes" for peas. Bad Neighbours roots release substances reducing growth	Cabbage
Tomato	Asparagus, Basil, Celery, Borage, Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Carrot, Cauliflower, Celery, Chives, Dill, Gooseberry, Grape, Hyssop, Lovage, Marigold (French), Marjoram, Mint, Nasturtium, Onion, Parsley, Parsnip, Turnip	Marigolds said to repel white fly and root knot nematode. Bad Neighbours roots release substances reducing growth	Apricots, Beetroot, Fennel, Kohl Rabi, Potato, Rosemary, Sweet Corn
Turnip	Cucumbers, Lettuce, Nasturtium, Peas, Tomato		
Wormwood Artemisia		It can inhibit the growth of plants near it, wormwood does repel moths, flies, fleas and keeps animals off the garden	
Watermelon	Potato		
Yarrow	Most aromatic herbs	Plant along borders and paths to enhance essential oil production and herb flavour.	
Zucchini	Lovage, Marjoram, Nasturtium, Sweet Corn		

The information in this guide was developed from a combination of companion planting guides including: Figtree Community Garden & SGA Sustainable Gardening Australia. www.sgaonline.org.au as well as Megan's tried and tested favourite combinations.

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