

Planting Peppers

Wait for warm soil and warm nights



WARM SOIL

Plant about 2 weeks after your last frost, when the soil is at least 65°F, ideally 70°F, at 6 inches deep.



WARM NIGHTS

Nights below 55°F make peppers drop their blossoms.



PLANT AT THE SAME DEPTH

Unlike tomatoes, peppers don't like to be planted deep.

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Pepper Type	In the Ground	Raised Bed	Container Size
Bell peppers (large)	18 to 24 inches	18 inches	10 gallon minimum
Sweet peppers (medium)	18 inches	12 to 18 inches	5 to 7 gallon
Hot peppers (compact)	12 to 18 inches	12 inches	5 gallon
Large hot peppers (cayenne, poblano)	18 inches	18 inches	7 to 10 gallon

TIP: *Water well after planting. In very hot, sunny weather, give the plants a little shade for the first 2 or 3 days.*

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