

Let's Get Ready for Spring Vegetable Gardening!

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Spring is almost here – that special time of year when vegetable gardeners eagerly look forward to prepping their garden plots, readying them for carefully chosen seeds and transplants.

One of the enjoyments of vegetable gardening is that new growing ideas and plant selections can be tried and tested from one year to the next. This year's demonstration vegetable garden will give visitors an opportunity to see how principles of Square Foot Gardening can be used to maximize use of growing space, while eliminating the over-sowing of seeds.



This year's garden will also feature some new-to-us plant varieties, including heirloom tomatoes and Japanese Noodle Beans. Principles of companion planting will be used, which means plants that benefit each other when grown side by side will have that opportunity. Another goal for this year's garden is to gather seeds at the end of the harvest, with the intent of using them for next spring's planting season.

We invite you to visit our demonstration garden to see ideas, old and new, in action. By mid-spring, there will be plenty to see!

Fort Bend County Master Gardeners are trained volunteers who assist Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in educating the community using research-based horticultural information.

