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# SEASONED ADVICE

# ONION SETS

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## **Tips for Planting Onion Sets:**

Onions prefer soil pH of between 5.8 and 6.6

### ***Before You Plant:***

Use a phosphorus-based organic fertilizer to amend your soil.

### ***Planting Depth and Spacing:***

Green Onions or Scallions: 0-1" spacing at 2-4" depth

Spring Onions: 1-2" spacing at 1-2" depth

Dry Table Onions: 4-6" spacing at ½-1" depth

### ***Watering:***

Water thoroughly after planting; keep soil from drying out because of the onions' shallow root systems; reduce watering when the tops start maturing

### ***Fertilizing During Growing Season:***

A nitrogen-based fertilizer should be applied every 2-3 weeks. Stop fertilizing once the onions start to form bulbs.

### ***Bolting (Flowering):***

Temperature and weather can trigger bolting. Harvest bolted onions and use as greens or spring onions.

### ***Harvest:***

Green onions and spring onions can be pulled according to your preference.

**Dry Table Onions:** When the tops turn yellow or brown, harvest the bulbs. Leave the tops on the onions and let sit until they are cured. Curing is complete when the tops are completely dry and the onion is a uniform color.