

GARDEN DESIGN

Your goal is to complete a design for one garden space.

1. Complete both sides of your DESIGN STEP 1 sheet, if you did not finish it at home. Discuss DESIGN STEP 1 with one of the Master Gardeners.
2. On the DESIGN STEP 2 sheet, check off vegetables and herbs you want to grow. Write down other things you want to grow that are not listed. To help you decide, talk to one of the Master Gardeners.
3. Now you are ready for DESIGN STEP 3, actually making your design. Get out the grid sheet. Draw the outline of your plot or raised bed box on the grid. You might need to use a different scale from 1 foot = 1 block. Use the materials provided to lay out your design.
 - a. Decide if you want your vegetables in straight rows or one of the other designs that you saw.
 - b. Remember we are recommending two-foot wide paths within your garden. All vegetables are within two feet of a path, so you can easily reach them to care for them.
 - c. Using the grid, decide where the vegetables or herbs will go. Use construction paper or pens to draw them in.
 - d. Consider heights of what you are growing and where the sun will be
 - e. Consider succession planting
4. Complete DESIGN STEP 4 which will help you make your design become real.
 - a. Using the Planting the Vegetable garden handout by Vincent Fritz, decide whether you will plant seeds or plants for each thing in your garden. Also write the plant dates you will use as a guide.
5. Your design is a guide. A lot of stuff will happen (maybe you will get plants from someone else, etc) so your garden probably won't perfectly match your design, BUT we firmly believe you will have a better garden and get the food you want because you did a design.
6. Share your design with the entire group.

Everyone please answer these questions and bring this form to the Designing Your Garden class



Name: _____

DESIGN STEP 1

What are your gardening goals? (Please check all that apply)

- Grow what my household can eat fresh
- Grow enough to preserve for later use
- Grow enough to share with others

How much gardening time do you have? (Please check one)

- At least one hour every day, or 7 to 10 hours a week
- A little time, 3 to 6 hours a week
- Almost no time, 1 or 2 hours a week

How experienced are you with growing vegetables? (Please check one)

- Very experienced
- A little experienced
- No experience



How do you garden? (Please check all that apply)

- I have physical limitations or injuries (specify): _____
- I garden with children (specify ages): _____

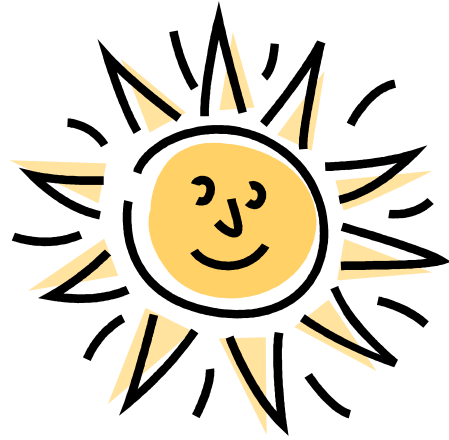
What kind of garden do you have or want?

- ☀ The length & width of my garden plot is: _____
- ☀ The number of people in my household is: _____
- ☀ I will plant in containers (yes, no, don't know) _____

How much sun do you have? (Please look at your garden location and measure your sunshine)

- ☀ Full sun: six or more hours each day (You can plant any herb or vegetable with six hours of sun)
- ☀ Partial sun: four to six hours each day (You can plant some herbs and vegetables)
- ☀ Partial or full shade: less than four hours (You may need to find a sunnier spot or plant in

containers that can be moved to follow the sun)



DESIGN STEP 2

(Check the vegetables & herbs
that you most want to grow)

Grow best in full sun (over six hours of sun each day)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Basil | <input type="checkbox"/> Eggplant | <input type="checkbox"/> Strawberries |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beans | <input type="checkbox"/> Herbs | <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Squash |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Broccoli | <input type="checkbox"/> Melons | <input type="checkbox"/> Tomatoes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cabbage | <input type="checkbox"/> Oregano | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chives | <input type="checkbox"/> Peppers | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corn | <input type="checkbox"/> Rosemary | |

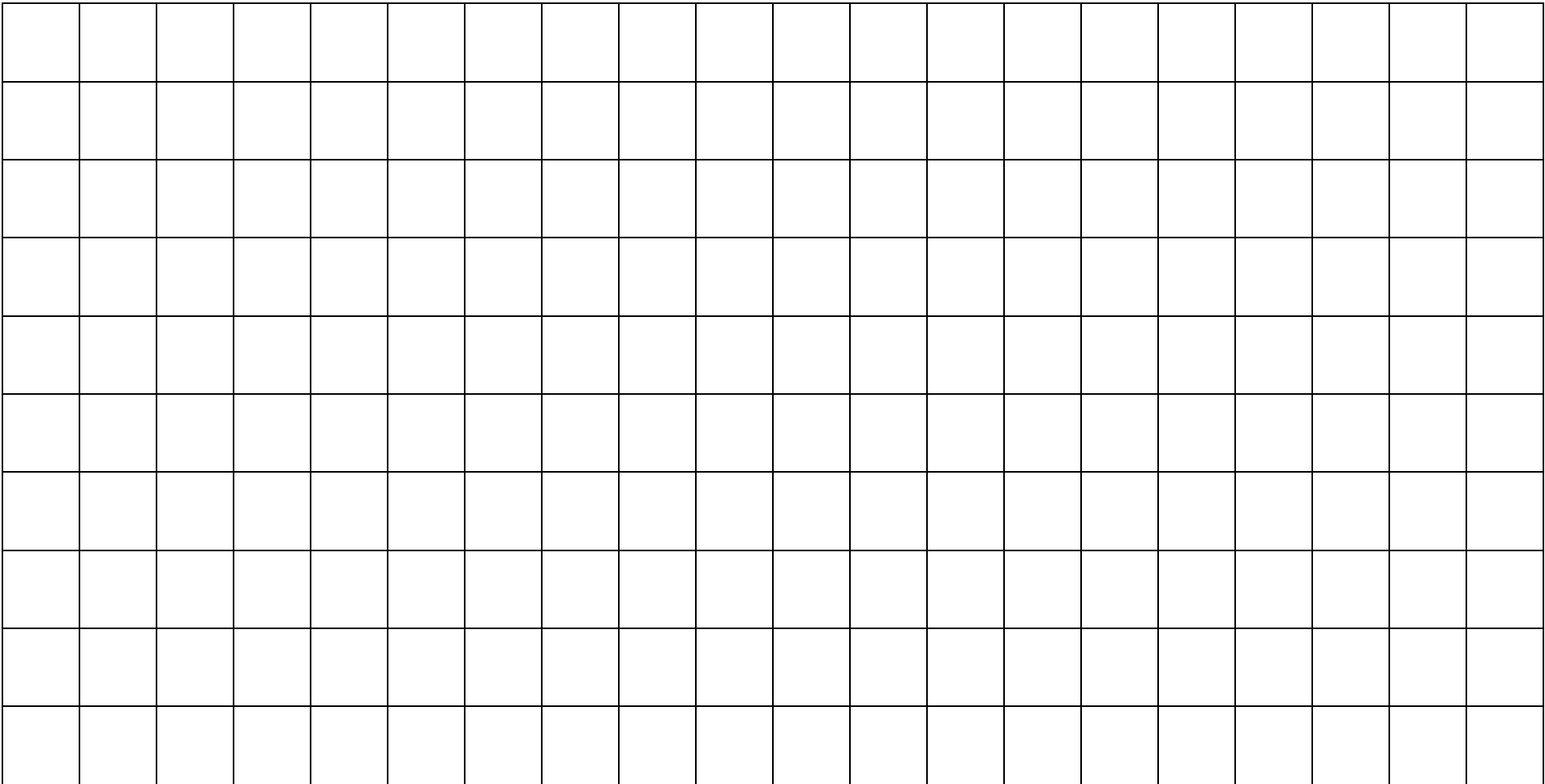
Okay for partial sun or with shade from taller plants (4-6 hours of sun)

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|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beets | <input type="checkbox"/> Cucumbers | <input type="checkbox"/> Peas |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brussel sprouts | <input type="checkbox"/> Kale | <input type="checkbox"/> Potatoes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carrots | <input type="checkbox"/> Lettuce | <input type="checkbox"/> Radishes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cauliflower | <input type="checkbox"/> Mint | <input type="checkbox"/> Spinach |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swiss Chard | <input type="checkbox"/> Onions | <input type="checkbox"/> Winter Squash |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cilantro/Coriander | <input type="checkbox"/> Parsley | <input type="checkbox"/> Turnips |

Other vegetables & herbs I want to grow:

- | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |
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DESIGN STEP 3



Garden Design Grid (10' by 20')

