# Companion Planting



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## **Companion Planting**

## Purposely placing close together different plants that benefit each other.

## Healthier Plants, Higher Yield



#### 1. Provide nutrients to other plants

# Nitrogen-fixing





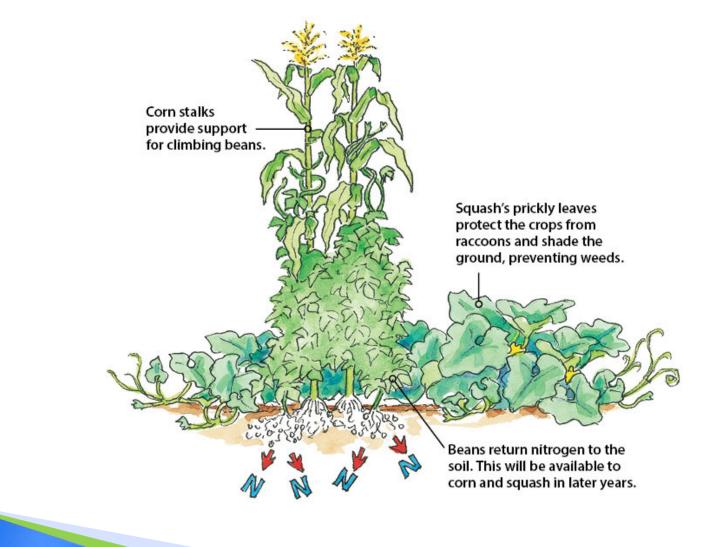


### 2. Enhance growing environment

- Tall plants provide structure for smaller climbing plants
- Large leafed plants provide shade
  - \* Retain moisture
  - \* Protect heat-sensitive plants
  - \* Smother weeds



## **Longstanding Tradition**



## 3. Pest Control

#### **Radishes to the Rescue**

- Cabbage maggots will be attracted to the radishes first. Pull the infested radishes and save your cabbage and broccoli.
- Repel cucumber beetles





#### **Odoriferous Onions**

 Repel carrot rust flies, Colorado potato beetles, Japanese beetles and aphids

#### Nasturtiums for Dinner

• Slugs would rather eat them than lettuce





## Certain crops provide mutual defense against pest problems – one protects the other.

#### **Beans & Potatoes**

Alternate rows to reduce Colorado potato beetles and Mexican bean beetles.





### The Sweet Smell of Dill

will deter the cucumber & potato beetles from attacking tomatoes, potatoes.

#### Sacrificial Eggplant

Plant an extra eggplant among your tomatoes. When beetles accumulate on the plant, pull it and destroy it.





## **4. Attract Beneficial Insects**



**Pollinators:** Bees, moths, butterflies, wasps



#### **Pest Predators:**

Lady beetles, praying mantis, & lace-wings love aphids & other pests





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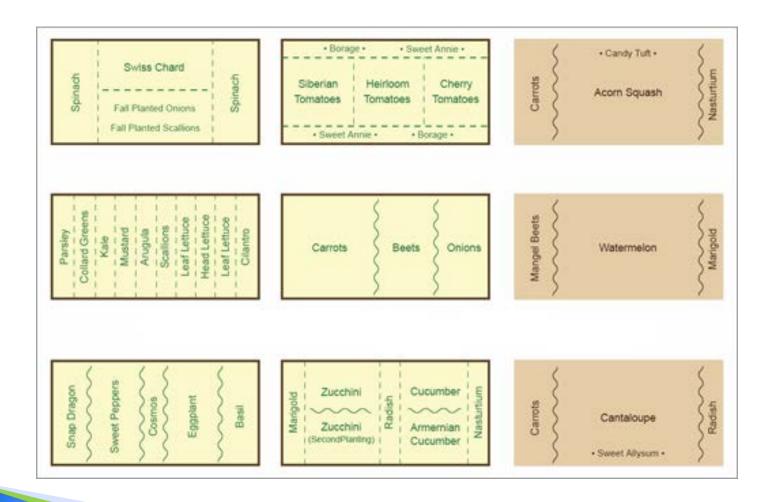
#### HERB COMPANION PLANTING CHART

Common Name	Companions and Effects				
Basil	Is said to make tomatoes taste better; dislikes rue intensely. Improves growth and flavor repels flies and mosquitoes.				
Beebalm	Companion to tomatoes; improves growth and flavor.				
Borage	The "Magic Bullet" of companion plants. Good with tomatoes, squash and strawberries; deters tomato worm; improves growth and flavor.				
Chamomile	Companion to cabbages and onions; improves growth and flavor				
Chives	Companion to carrots; improves growth and flavor; avoid beans and peas				
Cilantro	Beans, Peas, Spinach, Tomato – attracts beneficial insects like tachninid flies, parasitoid wasps and hoverflies – helps repel aphids, potato beetles and spider mites				
Dead nettle	Companion to potatoes; deters potato beetle; improves growth and flavor				
Dill	Companion to cabbage; dislikes carrots and tomato; improves growth and health of cabbage. Careful! Attracts tomato hornworm!				
Garlic	Plant near roses and raspberries; deters Japanese beetle; improves growth and flavor				
Hyssop	Deters cabbage moth; companion to cabbage and grapes. Keep away from radishes. Attracts honey bees and butterflies!				
Lavender	Cabbage, Cauliflower, Rubeckia, Rue, Blanket Flower, Echinacea, Lambs Ear, and Yarrow – natural repellent of aphids, fleas, moths, slugs, ticks, and deer. Lavender is needs full sun, little water, and little to no fertilizer. If you plant it next to something tha thrives on more care, decide which one is most important to you).				
Lemon Balm	Sprinkle throughout garden.				
Lovage	Is thought to improve the health of almost all plants, like borage and geraniums, is considered a "magic bullet" of companion planting				
Marigolds	The workhorse of the pest deterrents. Plant throughout garden; it discourages Mexican bean beetles, nematodes, and other insects. French marigolds produce a pesticidal chemical from their roots, so strong it lasts years after they are gone				
Marjoram	Plant here and there in garden; improves flavors				
Mole Plant	Deters moles and mice if planted hereand there				
Nasturtium	Companion to radishes, cabbage, and curcubits; plant under fruit trees. Deters aphids, squash bugs, striped pumpkin beetles; improves growth and flavor. A trap crop				
Petunia	Protects beans, cucurbits (squash, pumpkins, cucumbers), asparagus. A trap crop almo identical to geraniums in function				
Pot marigold – Calendula	Companion to tomatoes, but plant elsewhere in garden too. Deters asparagus beetle, tomato worm, and general garden pests.				
Purslane	This edible weed makes good ground cover in the corn.				
Peppermint	Planted among cabbages, it repels the white cabbage butterfly.Note: mints can be invasive				
Rosemary	Companion to cabbage, bean, carrots, and sage; deters cabbage moth, many bean beetles, and carrot fly. Don't plant with Basil.				
Rue	Keep it far away from sweet basil; plant near roses and raspberries; deters Japanese beetle.				
Sage	Plant with rosemary, cabbage, beans and carrots; keep away from cucumbers. Deters cabbage moth, many bean beetles, carrot fly.				
Summer Savory	Plant with green beans and onions; improves growth and flavor. Deters bean beetle and delays germination of certain foul herbs				
Tansy	Plant under fruit trees; companion to roses and raspberries. Deters flying insects, Japanese beetles, striped cucumber beetles, squash bugs, ants.				
Tarragon	Good throughout garden. Its scent is disliked by most pests, and this plant is also though to have Nurse Plant properties, enhancing the growth and flavor of crops grown with it.				
Thyme	Plant here and there in garden. Deters cabbage worm, attracts beneficial insects				
Wormwood	As a border, it keeps animals from the garden.				
Yarrow	Plant along borders, paths, near aromatic herbs; enhances essential oil production.				



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## **Companion Planting Sample**



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