

## **Storage Life of Vegetable Seeds**

Adapted by Amanda Borden from

Barbara Pleasant, "Seed Storage Guide," *The Herb Companion*, September 2010 and  
D. Hatch, "Collecting and Storing Seeds from Your Garden," Oregon State University FS-220.

Store seeds in a cool, dark, dry place where they are protected from insects. Be sure to label, including type of seed and when stored.

\*Storage guide:

Short-lived seeds (1-2 years): Corn, leek, okra, onion, parsley, parsnip, pepper.

Intermediate seeds (3-4 years): asparagus, bean, beet, broccoli, carrot, celery, chard, lettuce, pea, spinach, squash.

Long-lived seeds (4-5 years): Brussels sprout, cabbage, cantaloupe, cauliflower, cucumber, eggplant, kale, kohlrabi, muskmelon, pumpkin, radish, tomato, turnip, watermelon.

\*Where the Pleasant and Hatch articles differed from each other regarding storage length, I went with the shorter time frame to be safe.