

## The Backyard Farming Connection Bean Growing Guide

Need to Know: Beans thrive in warm conditions, requiring ample sunlight and well-drained soil to grow successfully.

**Choose the Best Bean Varieties:** Beans are broken into bush or pole varieties. Pole beans will need support like a trellis.

	Blue Lake 274: Classic pole bean: tender and flavorful with a high yield	Kentucky Wonder: Heirloom pole bean yields flat, stringless pods	<b>Provider</b> : Bush bean with early maturity and high yield.
Growing Requirements			
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6-8 Hours	2-24 inches	Consistent	pH 6 to 7.5 Loamy Soil

**Planting:** Beans are usually planted after the last frost, when soil temperatures consistently range from 60°F to 85°F (15°C to 29°C). **Maintenance:** Be cautious not to overwater, as beans thrive in well-drained soil to prevent root rot and promote healthy growth. **Harvest:** Beans are ready for harvest when the pods are firm and fully developed. Depending on the variety, this can vary in size and color.

**Companion Plants:** marigolds and basil **Avoid Planting With:** tomatoes and fennel Special Care: Maintain proper air circulation around your bean plants to minimize the risk of fungal diseases.