

Grow your own... Broad Beans

Broad Beans are easy to grow and can be sown in autumn, then onwards from late winter/early spring for a continuous crop.

They taste great in soups and stews or blanched then tossed with fried bacon pieces or feta cheese in a salad.

- ✓ Easy to grow
- ✓ Contains Vitamin B
- ✓ Contains Protein

- Contains Fibre
- √ Sow in spring or autumn
- √ Harvest in 30 weeks





From your growing pack, you will need:

- √ Compost
- ✓ Container

Plant outdoors (Oct/Nov and Mar/Apr)

- 1. Rake the soil until even.
- 2. Sow seeds 5cm deep 10cm apart in rows 20-30cm apart.
- 3. Cover the seeds and water.

Sow indoors (Dec-Feb)

- 1. Sow 2 seeds separately in a small pot filled with compost.
- 2. Place on a windowsill and keep compost moist.
- 3.Plant out in the spring about 20cm apart once the soil has warmed up.



- 1.Once the seedlings are growing outside, cover with horticultural fleece to protect from frost.
- 2.Later on, support tall stems using string around tall canes.
- 3. Pinch out the top growth once flowers start to form to encourage the plants to bush out.
- 4. Water when dry and keep weeded around the plants.



- 1. Pick pods when they are 8-10cm long when the pods are swollen and you can feel the beans!
- 2. Shell the pods and boil for 2 minutes to cook.

Top tip: Make hummus by cooking, then mashing skinned beans with some crushed garlic, lemon and olive oil.

