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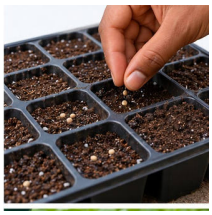
Lettuce planting guide

Sow shallowly; thin or transplant

Choose a cool growing period with a sunny, well-drained bed. Excess heat can reduce germination and the quality of crisp heads.

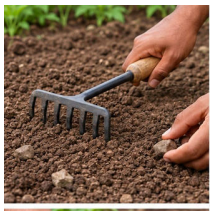
SEED DEPTH	FINAL PLANT SPACE	ROWS / DENSITY
About 3 mm	**About 30 cm**	**About 30 cm**

1. Sow shallowly



Sow about 3 mm deep in clean seedling mix or a prepared seedbed. Keep the surface gently moist.

2. Prepare the bed



Use fertile, well-drained soil with compost. Clear small weeds before planting; avoid compacting the bed.

3. Give heads room



Thin or carefully transplant young plants to about 30 cm apart in rows about 30 cm apart. Water them in.

4. Keep growth steady



Water regularly and weed shallowly to protect roots. Avoid repeated drying and water stress during head formation.

Harvest: Cut crisphead lettuce when the head feels firm. Pick before plants form a flower stalk or quality declines in heat.

Growing note: Use cooler local sowing windows and avoid peak heat. Adjust watering to your site and harvest when the crisp heads feel firm.

Use local conditions and the current seed-lot label. Method illustrations show the practice, not exact cultivar appearance.

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Primary planting references checked 19 October 2026. Depth and spacing are starting points. South African sowing windows vary with local frost, altitude, heat and rainfall. Follow the current seed-lot label and local supplier advice.

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