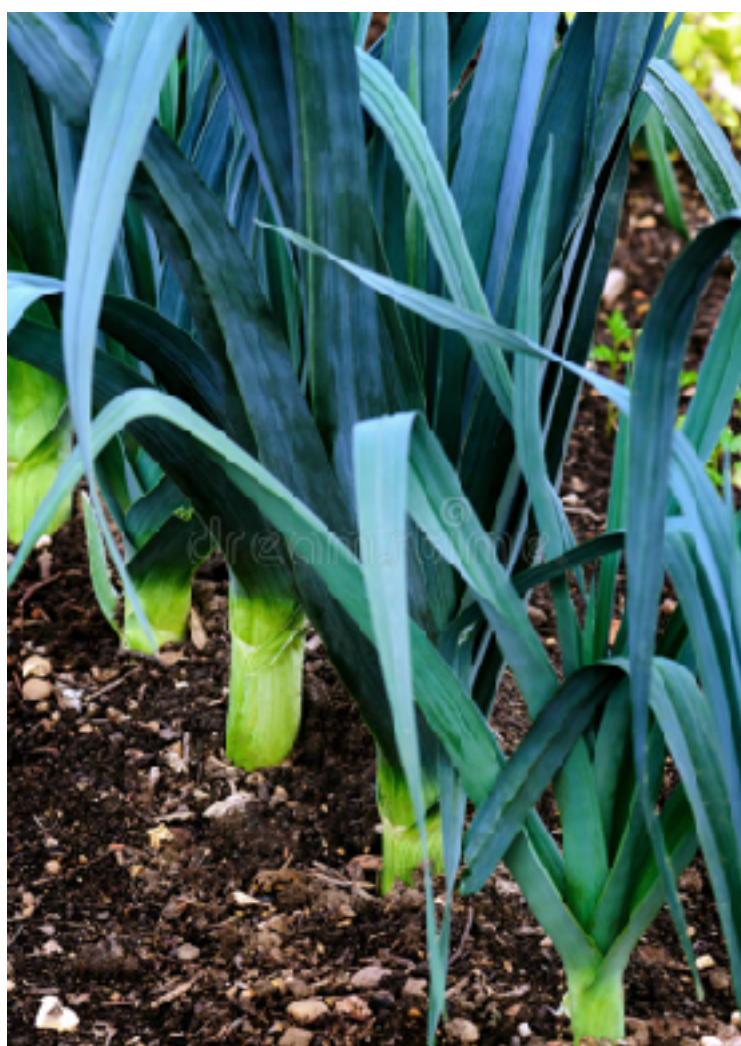




Leek

Before planting, add some compost, well-rotted manure and lime to your soil. Mulch generously. Keep the soil moist, but not too wet. Don't allow your soil to dry out; leeks like a nice even amount of moisture throughout their growing season. Feed your leeks very 4-6 weeks using a nitrogen rich fertiliser and manure tea.

If you would like a larger section of the stem to be blanched, cover the stems for a couple of weeks before harvesting. Harvest 15-18 weeks after planting.

They have a sweet, oniony flavour that adds depth to soups, stews and pasta dishes. They are milder than onions, and can be grilled or roasted as a side dish.

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