



Onion

Before planting, work lots of compost and some lime into your soil.

Water regularly when the seedlings are young, and once they start nearing maturity, allow the soil to dry out between watering sessions. Don't mulch onions. Don't overfeed onions as too much nitrogen will encourage big leaves, but underdeveloped root bulbs. Feed every three months.

Begin harvesting onions when the leaves dry out and fall over. Leave the onions in a sunny, well-ventilated spot to cure for up to two weeks, when the skin is papery and roots and leaves are dry.

Onions can be roasted, grilled, pickled, caramelised, sliced thinly or chopped and served raw in salads, sandwiches or dips.

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