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Broccoli is one of the vegetables grown by many vegetable farmers but there are tips that need to be put in to consideration in order to increase success.

The first tip for growing broccoli is choosing the correct variety for your climate. Broccoli prefers cool climate but there are a few varieties that do better depending on where you live. Imperial broccoli grow best in warm weather and growth slows down as temperatures cool. Green magic tolerates a little bit of warmer temperatures, bell star is a heat tolerant variety with many side shoots while marathon is a very cold tolerant variety.

## Other tips

Plant broccoli at the right time. Broccoli is a cool loving plant and hence needs cool weather to grow well. If its too warm, the broccoli will not grow well. Broccoli grown during cool weather will have a sweeter flavor.

You can plant broccoli seeds at 3 weeks intervals so as to have a continuous supply of broccoli all through. Choose the best location for planting broccoli. Although broccoli likes cool conditions, it requires plenty of sunlight in order to grow well. Choose an area that receives at least 6 hours of sunlight daily.

Plant broccoli on ridged well drained soils that's high in organic matter. Plant broccoli seeds in holes that are quarter to half inch deep to raise them into seedlings and transplant them at a spacing of between 12 to 20 inches apart.

Care for your transplanted broccoli. Broccoli does best with consistent even moisture. Provide a balance of organic fertilizer at least once a month through out the growing season. Control caterpillars from your broccoli.

Harvest the broccoli just at the right time before the buds open. Harvest in the morning by cutting the stem with a sharp

knife.