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Vegetables are one of the most commonly grown class of crops but many farmers make many mistakes unknowingly and this could lead to failure.

Starting too big in the excitement of beginning. This makes the process overwhelming and you make it fail before even you begin. It is important to begin small and go on expanding as you gain experience. Choosing the wrong location for your garden for examples growing your crops in the shade; vegetables grown in the shade are often less productive and more susceptible to insect pests and diseases.

## Other mistakes

Ensure that your garden has easy access to water otherwise it will be difficult for you to water your garden. Avoid thinking that soil does not matter hence ensure that you have good soil since it is the foundation for your gardening.

Planting at the wrong time. Planting at the wrong time implies setting your self out for failure . Planting at the right time ensures that plants will grow and come to harvest in ideal conditions.

Over planting which translates into overcrowding of plants. This prohibits airflow, blocks sunlight and increases susceptibility to pests and diseases. Avoid this mistake by planting at the correct spacing.

Watering incorrectly, ensure that you water deeply to ensure deep root growth.

Not mulching your garden. Mulching helps suppress weeds, regulates soil temperature, help soil retain moisture and adds organic matter the soil.

Not spending time in your garden each day as this allows you to easily detect mistakes.

Overuse of pest control measures as this kills even the beneficial insects and not harvesting ready products as this induces senescence in the plant.