

How to Care For Your Winter Sown Seeds:

Winter sown seeds can be practically forgotten about until the weather warms up and the seedlings are growing. Once the weather gets warm, check your greenhouses for moisture by seeing if there is condensation on the inside – if there's no condensation gently add water to your greenhouse. Make sure they do not have little puddles of water on the inside though. If water puddles on the inside, you might need more drainage in the bottom.

Once you see seedlings growing, make sure the greenhouses do not dry out, especially on warm sunny days. The air in the greenhouse will be warmer than the outside air temperature which is what allows the plants to grow outdoors earlier than they would if they were outside and in the ground, but it could also cook the plant on a very warm day. On hot days, the greenhouses can be opened during the day and closed for overnight.

Once the seedlings are actively growing, keep a watch for hard freezes predicted in the forecast. If a hard freeze is predicted, cover any greenhouses growing tender plants, such as tomatoes, with a blanket overnight to protect the seedlings. If you're growing cold hardy plants, such as broccoli or cabbage, the greenhouse will be enough protection from a frost.

As the days and nights get warmer, the containers can be opened more. Since the plants are growing outdoors, they do not need to be hardened off like indoor started or greenhouse grown plants need to be.

Follow recommended transplant times for each of your plants to plant them in your garden.