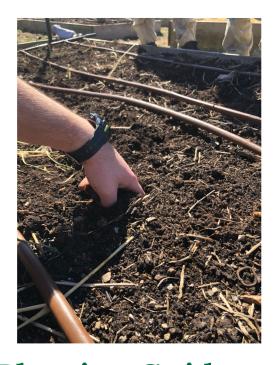


# 'Lancelot' Leeks





- Member of the onion family
- Mild onion flavor and can be used like onions in cooking
- An open
  pollinated variety
  that is resistant
  to viral disease
  and bolt
  resistant

## **Planting Guide**

### Choosing a site:

- Avoid sites recently planted with other members of the onion family
- Amend the soil with compost before planting and plant in area with good drainage and full sun

### Planting/Care:

- Plant early-mid March
- Dig trench or poke holes 6" deep, 4-6" apart
- Put one plant in each hole, burying it up to the base of the first leaf, then fill around the plant with soil
- As the leek grows, mound soil, compost, or mulch around the growing stalk to blanch it, so it turns white and stays tender, making sure to keep leaves unburied

#### Harvesting/Storage:

- Leeks can be harvested at any time; the white and light green parts of the plant can be eaten.
- However, it is best to wait until the stem is at least 1" in diameter, but they can get much larger if given time and proper care
- To harvest: pull the whole plant from the ground, brush off the soil, trim off the dark green leaves and roots, and store in refrigerator for several weeks



