

Garlic Seed Selection

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- Select your best and eat/sell the rest
- Disease free - firm, no discoloration, no odour
- Retain as many skins as possible – remove excess dirt but don't clean
- Consider planting early, mid and late to reduce climate variability risk
- Choose garlic suited to your growing zones and conditions, - locally sourced. Retain your seedstock over several years because it will eventually adapt to your environment and become stable. i.e. seed from a different zone will not grow the same in the first few seasons.
- Bulb wrapper colour and bulb size are influenced by location and soil
- Many bulbs bought in supermarkets are treated with sprout inhibitor (eg maleichydrazide) – they may not sprout or they will sprout too late in the season to enable good bulb growth. Imported bulbs are also sprayed with methyl bromide