

SEEDING & LABELING

Please read "[BASICS FOR SEEDING](#)" before you begin this process

1. Double check the Seeding List for the day to be sure you understand how many trays you will be using and that you have filled enough
2. Label ALL popsicle sticks you are using that day BEFORE you begin.
3. Write the date, the variety, and your initials, on BOTH SIDES of the popsicle stick in clear handwriting like this: "3/7 Jalapeño F.C."
4. Double check the seed packets you will be using to be sure they are correct
5. Examine the seeds you will be planting - how thick are they?
6. Make a shallow indentation in each cell's soil with your finger or writing implement: **REMEMBER:** *****It is better to plant seeds too shallow than too deep as one can be fixed and the other leads to seed rot
7. Put a small number of seeds in your hand at a time (this is in case of spilling)
8. Put seeds in the hole according to directions, at times you will be asked to put 2-3 seeds in a cell, pay attention to the Seedling List
9. When you are done seeding a tray, put two popsicle sticks for that seed variety on either end of the tray on outside edges of cells.
10. Make sure the popsicle sticks are pushed all of the way down to the bottom of the cell so they don't fall out
11. Pinch soil from the edges of cells to cover the seed to cover it only twice as deeply as the seed is thick. *Do not push down on the soil*
12. RECORD & CLEAN EVERYTHING - please look at "[Basics for Seeding Page](#)" for reminders