

# CROP CLASSIFICATIONS / CATEGORIES

## CROP TYPE

Fruit / Vegetable / Herb – culinary & medicinal  
Root / Fruit or seed / Leaf / Flower

## LIFESPAN OF CROP

Annual (half-hardy / tender) / Biennial (triennial) / Perennial (short-lived)

## CROPPING SEASON

Early / Main / Late                      Spring / Summer / Autumn / Winter

## GROWTH HABIT

Tall / giant / dominant / architectural OR short / dwarf / compact  
Climbing / spreading / trailing / creeping  
Deep-rooting / surface-rooting / taproot / fibrous-rooting  
Determinate (bush) / Indeterminate (vine)

## GROWTH REQUIREMENTS

Sun-loving / shade tolerant / moisture-loving / drought-tolerant  
Outdoor / unheated / hot-house / conservatory / protected/ exotic

## ORIGINS

Tropical / continental / arctic / mountain / lowland / maritime / coastal

## APPROPRIATE SOIL TYPE

Loam / Humus / Sand / Silt / Clay / Peat / Chalk / Alpine / meadow

## FERTILITY REQUIREMENTS

Heavy-feeders / light-feeders / nitrogen-fixers  
Nitrogen (leaf) / Potassium (roots) / Phosphorous (fruit)  
Acid-lovers (calcifuges) / Lime-lovers (calciphiles)

## SCALE OF PRODUCTION

Intensive / Extensive (field-scale / broad-scale)  
Garden / allotment / field

## USE

Culinary / Dessert / Medicinal

## QUALITY

Grade A / Grade B

## BOTANICAL

Monocotyledons / Di-cotyledons  
Families / Species / Varieties / Cultivars ( Latin Nomenclature)