

# **CROP TERMS / CATEGORIES / CLASSIFICATIONS.**

1. BOTANICAL            *Monocotyledons / Di-cotyledons (seed & true leaves)*  
*Families / Species / Varieties / Cultivars ( Latin Nomenclature)*
2. CROPPING SEASON  
*Early / Main / Late            Spring / Summer / Autumn / Winter*
3. LIFESPAN OF CROP        *Evergreen / Deciduous*  
*Annual ( half-hardy /frost-tender) Biennial (tri-ennial) Perennial (short-lived)*
4. FERTILITY REQUIREMENTS    *Heavy-feeders / Light-feeders / Nitrogen-fixers*  
*Nitrogen (N / Leaf) / Potassium (K / Roots) / Phosphorous (P / Fruit)*  
*Acid-lovers (Calcifuges) / Lime-lovers (Calciphiles)*
5. APPROPRIATE SOIL TYPE  
*Loam / Humus / Sand / Silt / Clay / Peat / Chalk / Alpine / Meadow*
6. CROP TYPE    *Seed / Shoot / Leaf / Stem / Bud / Flower / Fruit / Root*  
*Fruits / Herbs / Vegetables – Greens / Salads / Cut and Come again*
7. ORIGINS        *Native / Wild / Indigenous / Introduced / Exotic*  
*Tropical / Continental / Arctic / Mountain / Lowland / Maritime / Coastal*
8. GROWTH HABIT  
*Tall / Giant / Dominant / Architectural OR Short / Dwarf / Compact*  
*Climbing / Spreading / Trailing / Creeping*  
*Determinate ( Bush ) / Indeterminate ( Vine )*  
*Deep-rooting / Tap-root / Surface-rooting / Fibrous-rooting*
9. GROWTH REQUIREMENTS  
*Sun-loving / Drought-tolerant / Shade-tolerant / Moisture-loving*  
*Outdoor / Unheated / Hot-house / Conservatory / Protected / Exotic*
10. SEED    *Land-race / Cultivar / Hybrid / Terminator*
11. USE    *Ripeness / Freshness / "Local" / Processing*  
*Culinary / Dessert / Medicinal / Fodder -crop*
12. QUALITY    *Grade A,B,C / 1,2,3            Table / Exhibition / Competition*
13. SYMBOLS    *Organic / Biologique / Okologishe / Biodynamic / Demeter*
14. SCALE OF PRODUCTION    *Intensive (Small-scale) / Extensive (broad-scale)*  
*Home-Grown / Garden / Allotment / Kitchen Garden / Market Garden*  
*Field / Farm / Greengrocer / Supermarket / Mass-market*