

# Growing Parsley Outdoors

*Petroselinum crispum*

## QUICK FACTS

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USDA ZONES

**2–11**

SUNLIGHT

**Full Sun**

## AT A GLANCE

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Parsley (*Petroselinum crispum*) is a biennial, not an annual -- it produces leaves in year one and flowers/seeds in year two. In zone 7a it frequently overwinters, giving two seasons from one planting. The main challenge at the seedling stage is slow, erratic germination -- soak seeds for 12–24 hours before sowing and use fresh seed each year.

## PLANTING CHECKLIST

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- Match site to sun requirements above before buying
- Test soil drainage — dig a 12" hole, fill with water, time it (should drain in 1–2 hrs)
- Dig hole 2x wider than rootball, same depth
- Backfill with native soil — do NOT amend the planting hole
- Water deeply at planting and weekly for first 3 weeks
- Mulch 2" deep, keep mulch 2" away from trunk/stems

## FULL GUIDE WITH SOURCES

<https://outdoorplantcare.com/vegetables/growing-parsley/>

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