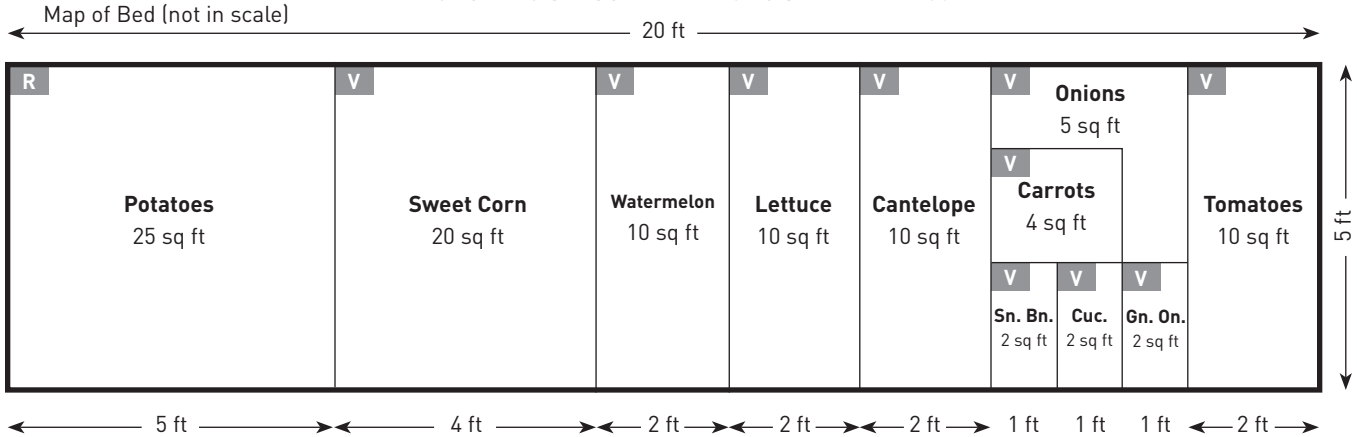


## Starter Garden Plan—2 Beds<sup>2</sup>

Cm = 60% crop grown to maturity     Ci = 60% crop harvested immature  
R = 30% crop     V = 10% crop

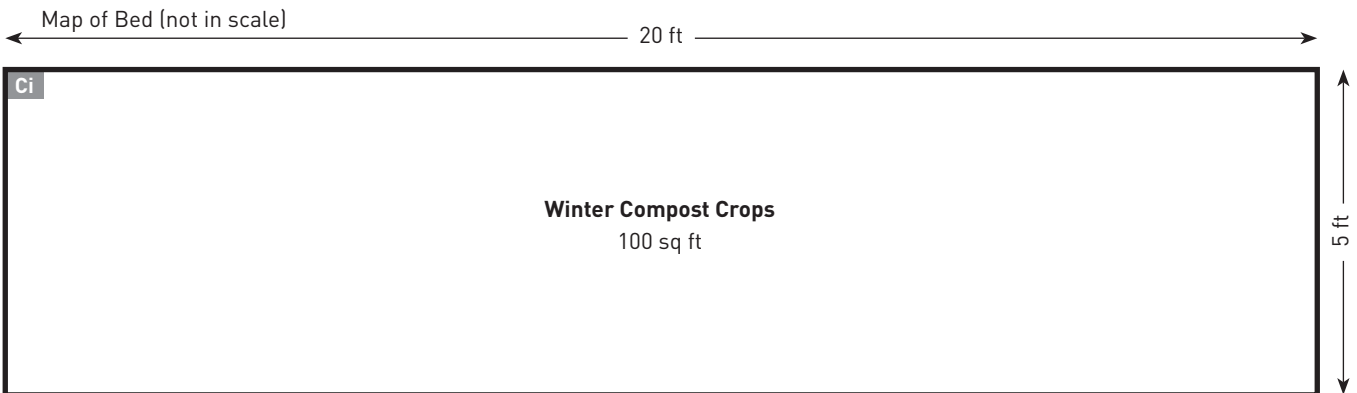
### Bed 1—Vegetables

**MAIN GROWING SEASON—MAY 20 TO SEPTEMBER 30**



### Bed 1—Compost Crops

**COOL WEATHER GROWING SEASON—OCTOBER 1 TO MAY 20**



After each section finishes up its main season crop, consider the following possibilities:

*Sow buckwheat for a summer catch cover crop, if needed (mostly to bring in beneficial insects and provide some compost materials) after the main crop.*

*And/or plant amaranth or sorghum after the main crop to cut as immature compost material before frost.*

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Note: The expected planting date IS NOT the same date for all the crops. Review Satisfactory (and Optimal) Plant-Growing Temperature ranges (pages 98–99) to determine the best times. Also check your area's recommended planting dates for your area. One good source for information can be found in part two in *The Backyard Homestead, Mini-Farm and Garden Log Book*.