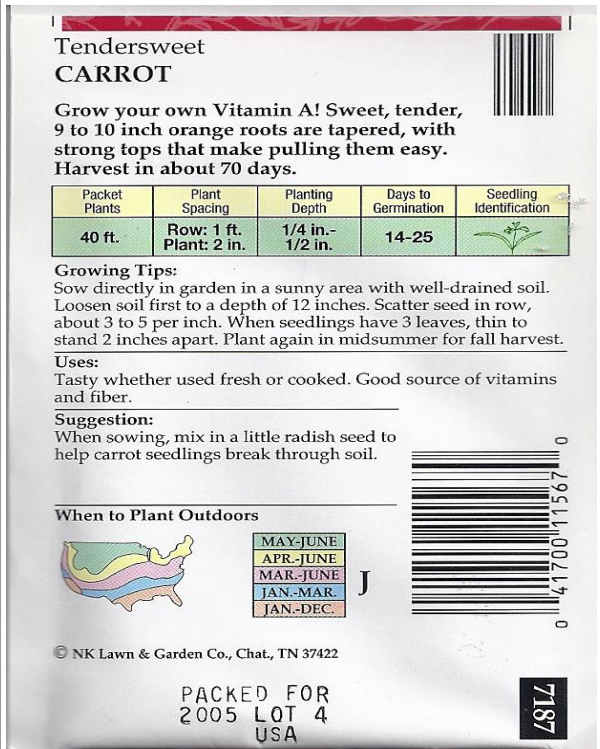


Reading and Understanding Seed Packets



Most seed packets have lots of information printed on them. Sometimes it is inside. If you read it carefully and follow all the advice you will have much better results!



Seeds are the result of pollination and fertilization. Seeds contain all the material a plant needs to reproduce itself. An embryo of the plant is inside each seed. Seeds come in different shapes, colors and sizes. Seeds have a protective coat that can be thin, thick or hard. Seeds can be spread by wind, water, and animals.

Answer these questions after reading the package label above:

1. How **deep** and how far **apart** should you plant these carrot seeds?

2. How much time is required for the seeds to **germinate**? _____
What does **germination** mean? (Please refer to the glossary near the back of this manual.)

3. How far apart should these plants be after **thinning**? _____
4. How long must we wait to harvest these carrots after planting them? _____
5. What type of soil is recommended? _____
6. When should these seeds be planted? _____ Where else can you find this information?
