

READ: Look at the image of a seed packet and read what the different terms on a seed packet mean. The seed packet you are reading is from Peaceful Valley Farm and Garden Supply, an organic seed company. Use the color coding below to find the information on the seed packet.

- **Planting Depth** (circled in red) helps you determine how much of a dent you should make in the soil when planting.
- **Spacing** (circled in yellow) refers to how far you should space out your seeds for optimal growth. You can also try planting seeds closer, dropping a seed every inch or two, and then thinning to the suggested spacing once they have germinated.
- **Germination** (circled in **Green**) refers to the number of days it takes a plant to germinate. This information helps you determine your planting dates. If your seeds do not germinate by the end of the range of days indicated, you may want to plant them again.
- **Maturity** (circled in blue) tells you how many days it will take for the plant to reach its full maturity for harvest.
- Packed for (circled in white) refers to the year when the seeds were packed. This will help you keep track of the age of your seeds. Different seeds have different years of viability. For example, under optimal conditions, parsley seeds are viable for two years.

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