

# Growing Vegetables in North Vancouver

## Part 9: Peas and Beans

2020 LVGC VEGGIEMATES



Peas



# Types

Shelling



Edible pod

- Snap peas
- Snow peas



# Basic facts for Peas

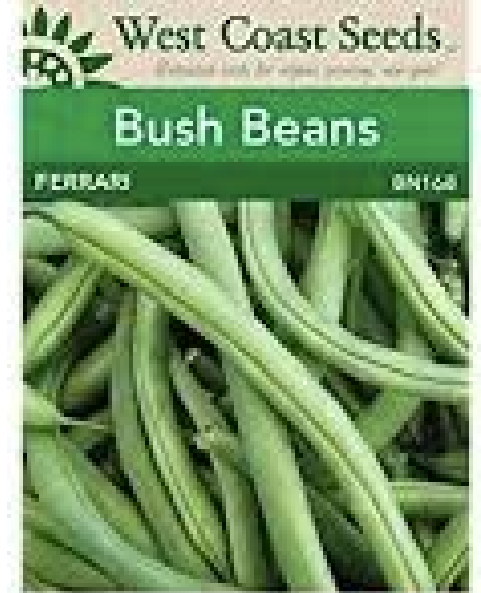
- Peas like cool temperatures
- Ripen late June - early July
  - Vines wither by late July
  - Powdery mildew is major problem
- Require less light than most vegetables
- Germination is poor and delayed at soil temp < 10C (50F)
  - Start indoors, transplant after risk of frost
  - Plant about 2" apart
  - Suitable for large containers
- Up to 20 pods per plant (I average much less!)

# Start seeds in pieces of roof gutter



# Beans

- 3 kinds - bush bean; pole beans; drying beans
- Warm season
- Direct sow mid to late spring in well drained warm soil or seeds may rot



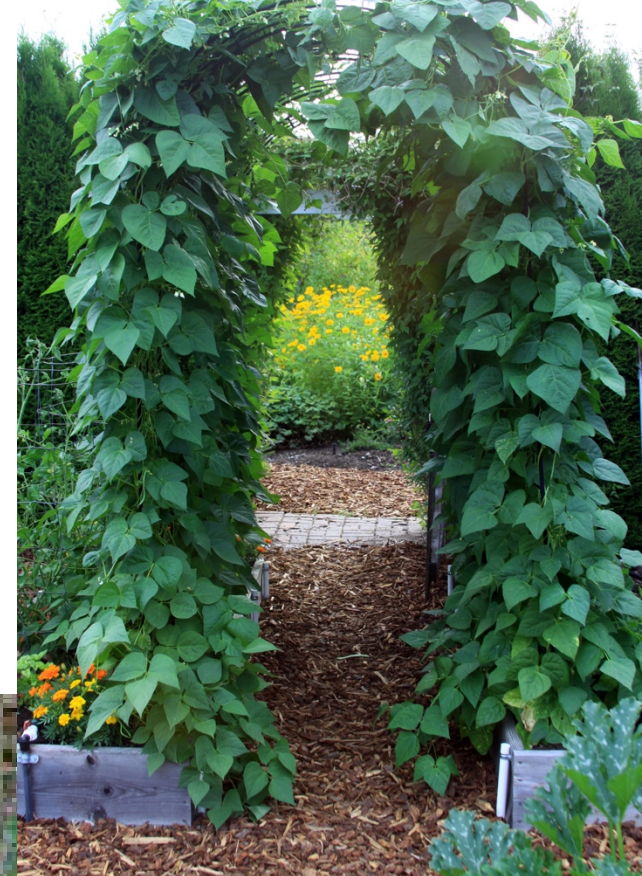
# Bush Beans

- Determinate
- Set pods over a short 2 - 3 week span



# Pole beans

- Indeterminate
- Will produce beans as long as the vines are picked
- Will require support





# Drying beans

- Sow as early as possible so they can mature before rainy weather arrives
- Leave on pods until the begin to turn straw color
- Harvest whole plant or pods and let dry completely before shelling

