

2013 LAWN CHAIR GARDEN PLAN

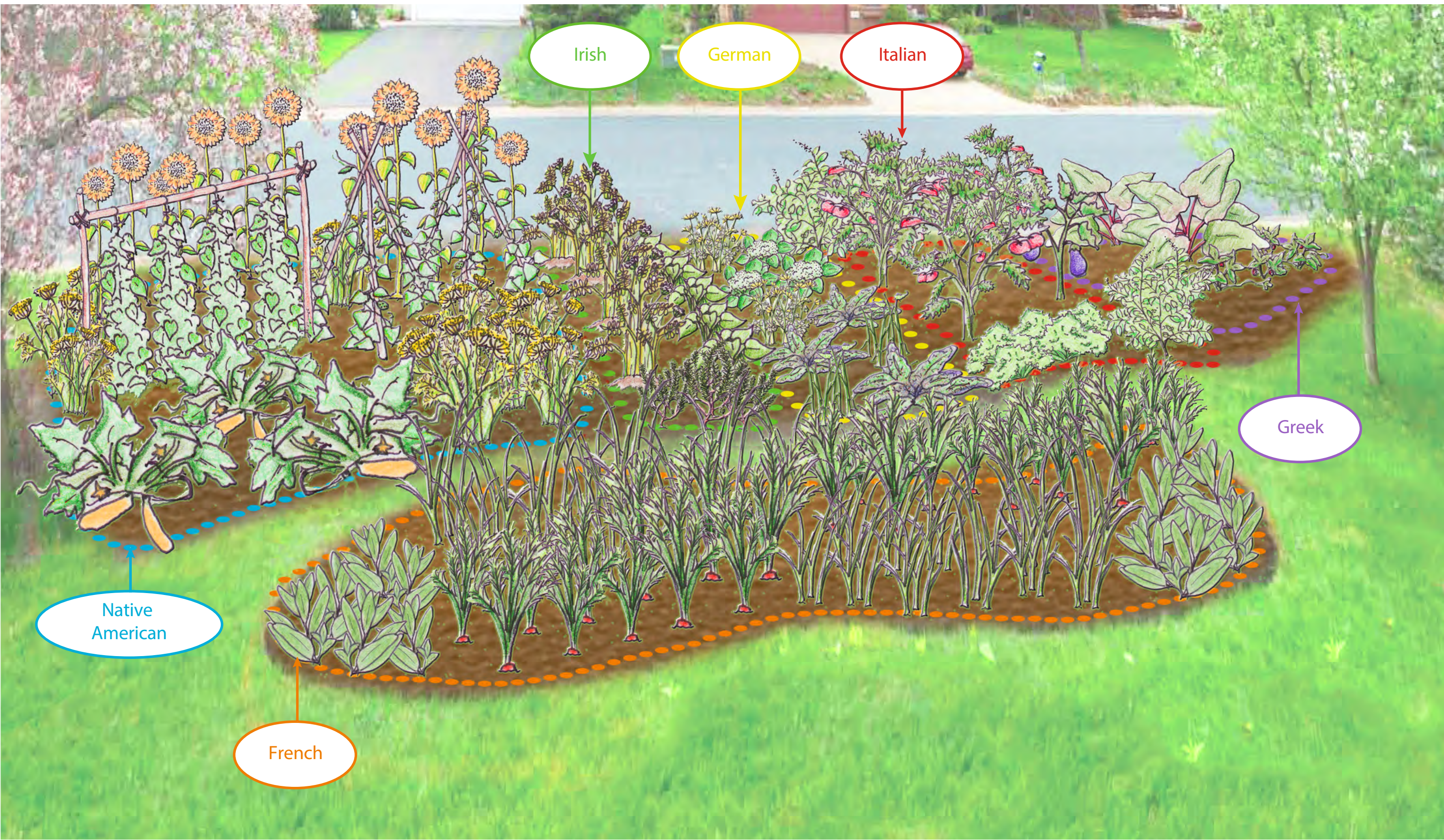
Companion Planting

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The following table (except the first column) is adapted from [Great Garden Companions](#), by Sally Jean Cunningham, Master Gardener, Cornell Cooperative Extension, p. 46-47

	Neighborhood	Family	Friends (Italics indicates non-native, non-herb; not "Lawn Chair" style)	Rotation	Notes
Italian	Tomato neighborhood (Italian neighborhood)	Tomatoes, peppers, eggplant, (greens)	Basil, parsley, any tall Aster Family flower, <i>cleome</i> , <i>cosmos</i> , <i>Queen Anne's Lace</i>	every 4 years	Early in the season, plant greens around edge. By the time the tomatoes grow large, the greens will be harvested.
Irish	Potato Neighborhood	Potatoes, beans, peas	Dill, rosemary, <i>Calendulas</i> , <i>cosmos</i> , <i>sweet Annie</i> , <i>daisies</i> (Please don't plant-invasive!)	at least every 3 years	Plant potatoes in rows with room for hilling. Plant beans or peas in wide rows. Use potatoes to break in new garden areas. All the trenching and digging really works the soil and helps reduce weeds.
German ("Krauts")	Cabbage Neighborhood	Cabbage family, lettuce, root crops	Asters, rosemary, sage, thyme, chamomile, <i>calendulas</i> , <i>chrysanthemums</i> , <i>cosmos</i> , <i>marigolds</i>	at least every 2-3 years	Plant crops in 2-1-2 or 3-2-3 patterns with groundcover in between, or tuck onions, carrots or beets around the crops. Lettuce grows well in the shade of broccoli leaves. Cover all crops with row covers from planting until harvest.
Native American	Squash neighborhood	Squash family, corn, pole beans	Dill, sunflowers, <i>borage</i> , <i>nasturtiums</i>	every 3 years	Beans will climb corn. Plant vine crops and nasturtiums in hills or 3-ft. wide sections among corn. If you don't grow corn, use stakes, teepees trellises to support beans
French <i>(mirepoix is a bed of diced braising vegetables- carrots, celery, onions)</i>	Roots and Greens Neighborhood	Carrots, greens, onions	Dill, fennel, short Aster family flowers, caraway, chamomile, <i>cleome</i> , <i>dwarf cosmos</i> , <i>Queen-Anne's-lace</i> , <i>Iceland poppies</i>	rotate carrots every 2 years. Lettuce doesn't need to be rotated	Interplant greens, carrots and onions. Or, plant them in blocks side by side. Use thinnings in salads. After harvesting lettuce, plant kale or fall greens.
Greek Island of Ikaria or Diverse community	Perennial Crop Neighborhood	Asparagus, horseradish, strawberries, rhubarb, raspberries	Chives, asters, bee balm, black-eyed Susans, creeping thyme, yarrow (for horseradish), dill, chamomile, <i>sweet alysum</i> , <i>hollyhocks</i> , <i>sweet Annie</i> (for asparagus), <i>cosmos</i> , <i>lovage</i> , <i>sunflowers</i> , <i>borage</i> , <i>nasturtiums</i> , <i>tansy</i> , <i>daisies</i> (Invasives!)	3 year rotation	Aggressive spreader like horseradish paired with bee balm. Hollyhocks, cosmos sparingly in asparagus patch.

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