



Puntland Crop Seasonal Calendar (2025)

Crop Name	Season	Sowing Period	Growth Period	Harvest Period	Remarks
Sorghum	Gu (main rainy)	Late April – Early May	May – July	Late July – August	Needs reliable Gu rains; drought-sensitive.
Maize (rain-fed)	Gu	April – May	May – July	July – August	Gu only; needs good soil moisture.
Maize (irrigated)	Deyr / Dry season	October – November	Nov – Jan	Jan – Feb	High input; requires irrigation.
Millet	Gu	April	May – July	August	Tolerant to drought; short maturing.
Rice (irrigated)	Deyr	October	Nov – Jan	Feb	Requires constant water supply.
Cowpeas	Gu / Deyr	April / Oct	May – Aug / Nov – Dec	Aug / Jan	Improves soil fertility; short cycle.
Beans	Deyr	October	Nov – Jan	Feb	Beneficial for rotation; sensitive to heat.
Groundnuts	Gu	May	Jun – Aug	Aug – Sep	Needs good seedbed & moderate rainfall.
Sesame	Gu	April – May	May – July	July – Aug	Tolerant to drought; cash crop.
Tomato	Irrigated / Deyr	Oct / Nov	Nov – Jan	Jan – Feb	High market demand.
Onion	Irrigated	Anytime (off-season)	2–3 months	4 months after planting	Requires irrigation & pest control.
Cabbage	Irrigated	Oct / Nov	Nov – Jan	Jan – Feb	Cooler temps preferred.
Carrot	Irrigated / Deyr	Nov	Dec – Feb	Feb – Mar	Light sandy soil needed.
Chili / Pepper	Gu / Deyr	April / Oct	May – Aug / Nov – Jan	Aug / Feb	High value crop.
Banana	Perennial	Year-round (with irrigation)	Continuous	Year-round	Needs continuous water.
Papaya	Perennial	Year-round	6–9 months after planting	Continuous (monthly)	High yield if irrigated.
Watermelon	Gu / Deyr	April / Oct	May – July / Nov – Jan	July / Feb	Short cycle crop.
Mango	Perennial	Year-round	Year-round	Main harvest in May–Aug	Requires good pruning.
Dates (Palm)	Perennial	Year-round	Year-round	Varies	Tolerant to arid heat; needs water mgmt.
Sisal	Perennial	Year-round	Year-round	Harvest every 2 years	Used for fiber & ropes.
Alfalfa	Perennial (irrigated)	Year-round	Continuous	Cut every 60–80 days	Good livestock fodder.
Grass fodder (Sudan grass)	Gu / Deyr	April / Oct	May – Aug / Nov – Jan	Aug / Feb	Quick regrowth; good feed.

Legend			Rainy Seasons in Puntland		
Season			Gu Season: April – June		
Sowing Period			Deyr Season: October – December		
Growing period					
Harvesting Period					