

Growing Subtropical Crops in Oregon

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Purpose of this workshop

We will discuss diverse crops such as sweet potato, okra and a range of Southeast asian herbs and vegetables.

The hope is to give you the background in creating microclimates and understanding plant needs for you to be able to do this successfully at home.

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Create a Microclimate

1. Consider investing in a polytunnel, Greenhouse or cloches to lengthen the growing season and increase heat units.
2. Black pots and clear or black mulches can help warm soil.
3. Plant against a south facing wall or your warmest spot.



To Recap

- Research and consider your crop's needs
- Focus on early maturing cultivars
- Create or choose the warmest spot you have in the yard (South facing walls, Patio, along a driveway etc)

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