

# BOBBY & LYNN'S PLANT FARM

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## SUNLIGHT TRACKING SHEET

Track one planting area for a full day before choosing plants.

**How to use it:** Check the area every hour or two on a clear day. Mark whether it is in direct sun, filtered light, or shade. Repeat on another day when possible.

### Planting Area Details

**Location in yard:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date observed:** \_\_\_\_\_

Weather: Sunny / Partly Cloudy / Other: \_\_\_\_\_ Season: Spring / Summer / Fall / Winter

Area faces: North / South / East / West

Nearby shade source: \_\_\_\_\_

### Hourly Sunlight Log

Time	Direct Sun	Filtered Light	Shade	Notes / What is casting shade?
7:00 a.m.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8:00 a.m.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9:00 a.m.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
10:00 a.m.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
11:00 a.m.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
12:00 p.m.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
1:00 p.m.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2:00 p.m.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
3:00 p.m.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4:00 p.m.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
5:00 p.m.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
6:00 p.m.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

## Sunlight Summary

<b>Hours of direct sunlight</b>	_____ hours
<b>Morning sun</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Light <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> Strong
<b>Afternoon sun</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Light <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> Strong
<b>Hottest part of day</b>	From _____ to _____
<b>Final exposure</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Sun <input type="checkbox"/> Part Sun <input type="checkbox"/> Part Shade <input type="checkbox"/> Full Shade

## Helpful Sunlight Guide

<b>Full Sun</b>	Generally 6 or more hours of direct sunlight each day.
<b>Part Sun</b>	Generally 4 to 6 hours of direct sunlight, often with stronger sun.
<b>Part Shade</b>	Generally 3 to 6 hours of sun, preferably with protection from intense afternoon heat.
<b>Full Shade</b>	Less than about 3 hours of direct sunlight; bright indirect light may still be present.

## Seasonal Changes to Watch For

- Trees may cast more shade after they leaf out in spring.
- The sun sits higher in summer and lower in winter.
- Buildings, fences, and neighboring trees can change afternoon exposure.
- Hot Southern afternoon sun can be harder on plants than gentler morning sun.

## Plant Ideas and Notes
