



**Bountiful
Harvests (1)**

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Bountiful Harvests (2)

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15.4kg of eggplants and 45kg of cucs in November!



The team hard at work! This month we welcomed **Anuradha** into our world of great detail!

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It takes a great **Team** to perform so many miracles!

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We began a **Nivassi Training Program** this month that will run for the next 7 weeks! Training topics include seeding, transplanting, planting, bed/plant care, insect management, and harvest

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What a joyful and enriching experience for all!

Our trainees are; **Swati, Kalki, Nirgun, Vajra, Nirmala, and Purusha!**





We hope that everyone will gain skills they can apply in their home gardens and be able to participate even more in community food production!





Jagadamba Kanyaka is in full swing, and all the beds are full of productive crops!



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Challenges (1): Caterpillars and aphids stood out this month.

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We used a simple soap and water mix and applied it by hand to reduce the aphid population and it worked well!

The vainica's first leaves are quite sensitive but seem to regain strength once the second set emerge.





Challenges (2): Whitefly populations have increased, leaving many leaves coated in their “honeydew.” Some arugula leaves are showing the scarring again, but less than in the past. An unusual fungus on the tips of the vainica leaves, and a couple more moth and caterpillar bandits.

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Challenges (3): More nodule-filled root structures. Rotting brassica stems. A strange lettuce variety mixed in the Feria seedlings. And a celery plant that grew, but upon harvest, we discovered that its root system had maintained the shape of the pot it had been transplanted from (perhaps it had stayed a little too long in the pot before being planted)!

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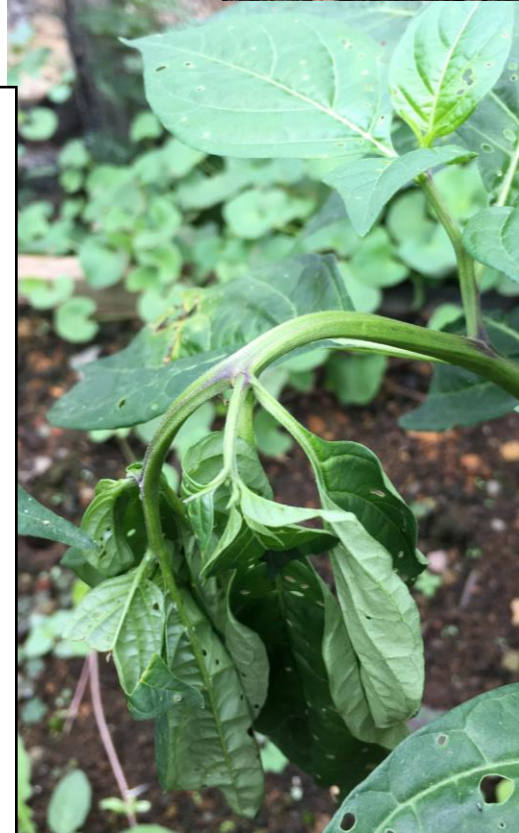




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Challenges/Learnings: We discovered that communicating about celery quantities is most accurate in terms of weight. Also, the amount of roots the celery plant grows is too much for our medium sized growing pots, so we will switch back to celery in beds. Culantro that was grown in the bed after the radish seed saving patch had a problem with damping off. A strange wilt on the chile dulce plants, that was eliminated by pruning. And our winged bean patch proved to be under productive for the real estate it requires.



Learning more about pruning/plant care! We have been experimenting with our eggplant patch and the sweet chile patch to learn more about how they respond to some pruning suggestions we read about.

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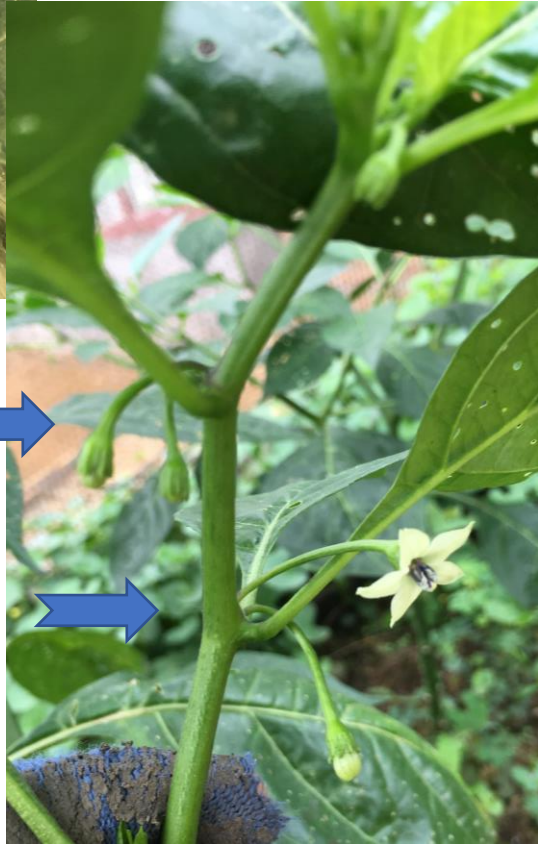


The next generation of parsnips from the seeds we've saved!



We leave the top growing tip and remove the next "hijo" or subsequent growing tip. We also removed excess flowers.

And with the sweet chiles, we removed all the flowers until the plant had matured fully.





Seed collection innovations by David and **rosemary propagation** explorations by Ajata.

And our **seed saving cucumbers** are ripening well! We hope the next generation will be more resistant to the mosaic virus!





The south side of Al-Kauthar looking amazing after **cutting back forest and building a retention** to widen/level the space and help with water runoff. **Improving drainages** in Svarga and at the Spurana faucet.



Also, **the axe** handle snapped mid-chop! But we replaced the handle and sharpened a new head!

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Bokashi making adventure! We layered many materials (including carbon, manure, kitchen scraps, fresh cut grass, and sawdust) to make an active compost pile! We ran out of water in the tank but were able to collect rainwater instead. We returned regularly to turn the pile until it was a rich soil-like consistency!

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Sunday Field Trip to Harvest Coffee on Don Sergio's farm!



David and Hanuman had the opportunity to join Don Sergio and his crew for the coffee picking process, from harvest to delivery!

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Creature



Feature!



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Inspiring Beauty!

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