What tools do I need?

Well....... 
..... the right ones. That is, the right ones for YOU!
Do you garden with pots........
........if yes, then you need these......
...one of these..
.....and these.
....and for sure these.....
….and maybe this, my favorite tool.

This is the Cape Cod weeder, comes for left or right-handed gardeners.

I use it to weed, plant bulbs, break the surface soil after hard rains and work compost or fertilizer on established plants.
Your garden is bigger than pots.

• You have above ground boxes
...or a lawn....
.....or a flower garden.....
You will need additional hand tools:
You may need:

Shovels
Specialty Shovels:
Rakes:
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Cultivators:
Another cultivator:
Tools to move rocks
Battery Powered Tools: Blowers
Wheelbarrows
Garden Carts

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Ladders:
Kneelers
Lawnmowers
Man powered
Gas Powered
Battery Powered
The Big Times
SAFETY FIRST
Electrical safety and water don’t mix, so whether it’s pouring from the heavens or there’s still dew on the ground, don’t use electrical equipment outdoors until it’s dry.
Tips to stay safe when working outdoors with electrical equipment:

Use a Residual Current Device (RCD) also known as a GFCI (Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter) or GFI (Ground Fault Interrupter). This is a device that quickly breaks an electrical circuit to prevent serious harm from an electric shock.
Tips to stay safe when working outdoors with electrical equipment

• Be aware of where the electrical power cable is at all times.
• Never use electrical equipment in wet conditions.
Electrical cords

- Suitable for outdoor use – weather resistant with moulded connections that prevent moisture seeping in
- Rated correctly to suit the equipment you want to connect to them
- Uncoiled, to prevent overheating
- Kept clean and free of damage
- Replaced if damage is done
- Used according to the manufacturer’s instructions
- Positioned appropriately to prevent damage
Tips to stay safe when working outdoors with electrical equipment

• Switch off and unplug electrical items before cleaning, adjusting or checking them.
• Store equipment in a dry, safe place and check that it hasn’t been damaged or affected by water before using it.
DO

• Read and understand all instructions
• Always wear qualified eye protection
• Wear proper clothing to protect feet, legs and other exposed parts of your body.
• Wear hearing protection devices
• Wear dust masks to filter out pollens and other irritants
• Wear gloves
• Keep children and pets away from the area you are working
• Contact a professional
DO NOT

Wear loose or dangling clothing, neckties, scarves or jewelry

Wear opened-toed shoes or go barefoot or bare-legged
NEVER

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<td>Allow children to operate or play with power equipment</td>
<td>Start a gas powered tool in a shed or garage, where carbon monoxide exhaust gas can accumulate – IT CAN BE LETHAL</td>
<td>Refuel while the engine is running or hot</td>
<td>Operate power equipment while on a ladder</td>
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<td>Place your ladder on a firm, level surface, using leg-levelers if necessary. Don’t put lumber, a rock, or other object under a ladder leg for leveling.</td>
<td>Use a stepladder only in it’s fully open, A-shaped position.</td>
<td>Avoid setting up near a doorway or other high traffic areas.</td>
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<td>Always face a ladder when you’re climbing and descending and grab the rungs, not the side rails.</td>
<td>Center yourself on the ladder and don’t reach beyond 12 inches on either side.</td>
<td>Climb down to move the ladder, don’t try to “walk” it to a new position while you’re on it.</td>
<td>When raising an extension ladder, lock each section securely before going on to the next.</td>
<td>When closing, folding, or retracting an extension ladder, grip the sides of the ladder securely, keeping your hands clear of the descending sections.</td>
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Be aware of all things in the garden........
Are there any questions?  Any comments?
.....and now go out in the garden and have fun!