



CONTAINER GARDENING TIP SHEET

Are you a frustrated gardener, because you don't have a piece of earth good enough for gardening? Fear not, you too can garden by using containers!

Containers are space savers for gardening. They can be used on a patio, balcony or tiny garden & they can be moved around to favorable growing areas in different seasons.

Containers can be made from anything as long as it doesn't contain any toxic residues. You don't have to spend a lot on containers to grow a garden.

Containers You Can Use:

- Old Plastic Nursery Pots
- Five Gallon Buckets
- Pots Salvaged from the Junkyard or Salvage Stations
- Plastic Grow Bags
- Wash Tubs
- Old Sinks
- Trash Cans
- Barrels

Good Gardening Soil can be purchased for your pots.

- Be sure to use a light potting mix that drains readily.
- Add lots of compost. You can create it yourself by composting food scraps.

Water Frequently:

- In hot weather, pots dry out quickly and may need to be watered daily or more often.
- Drill holes in a PVC pipe & insert it in the pot to get water to the bottom.

Container Gardening Tips:

- Fertilize frequently because the soil in a pot leaches nutrients faster than garden soil.
- Deep rooted plants need deep containers for strong root systems.
- The soil in pots can become quite hot. In warm climates, use light colored containers and provide some afternoon shade for your plants.

You Can Grow

tomatoes, peppers, onions, eggplants, lettuce, broccoli, Swiss chard, peas, beans, berries, dwarf fruit trees & anything else you can imagine in your containers!



Blueberries

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■ Squash and Greens



Peppers



■ Fig Tree