

PRO'S AND CON'S OF RAISED BEDS

PRO'S:

- More control over the location of the garden.
- Ability to choose the best soil for your particular plants.
- More efficient draining.
- Can be easier on backs and knees due to less bending and stooping.
- Easier to keep out weeds.
- The soil warms up earlier in a raised bed, so you can plant earlier and extend your growing season.
- Better ability to keep out ground-dwelling pests.

CON'S:

- Can be more expensive to get started.
- Require careful planning to make sure there is enough room for plants that need to spread out, and to ensure that you can reach the middle to tend the plants.
- Because raised beds drain so efficiently, they will also need to be watered more often and may require an irrigation system.