



GARDEN GUIDE

EASY STEPS TO GARDENING SUCCESS

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Grow an organic vegetable garden

Growing an organic vegetable garden is simple, and you can eat the fruits of your labour.

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Vegetable or herb seedlings
- Nature's Care® Organic Garden Soil
- Nature's Care® Tomato, Vegetable & Herb Plant Food



STEP 1: Plan out your garden. If you don't have a garden space already, mark the shape with string and remove your sod to expose the soil. Start small if this is your first garden.

STEP 2: Remove any rocks or debris from your soil and enrich it with at least 2 inches of Nature's Care® Organic Garden Soil.* Only Nature's Care® includes special Root-Trients™ that stimulate growth and help plants build strong roots.

STEP 3: Plant your vegetable or herb seedlings. Keep in mind how big your plants will grow. Check plant tags to find out the correct spacing.

STEP 4: Feed your garden every 2 months with Nature's Care® Organic & Natural Tomato, Vegetable & Herb Plant Food, which contains calcium to help plants grow healthy and strong.

STEP 5: Water until the soil is moist, but not soggy. Remember to keep watering as needed and remove weeds when necessary.

* Always consult package for detailed instructions



Plant a flower

Add some colour to your yard. Each season gives you a chance to plant something new.

WHAT YOU NEED:

- Flower seedlings
- Miracle-Gro® Quick Start®
- Miracle-Gro® Shake 'n Feed® Ultra Bloom®
- Miracle-Gro® Garden Soil



STEP 1: Amend your garden by mixing Miracle-Gro® Garden Soil 50/50 with your native soil.

STEP 2: Dig a hole in the soil that's twice the size of the root ball. Remove seedling from its pot and gently break apart the soil and root ball. Then place the seedling in the hole. Be sure to cover the soil around the stem to the height it was in the pot. Pack soil down gently around the plant base.

STEP 3: To reduce the risk of transplant shock and promote strong roots, mix Miracle-Gro® Quick Start® with water and give your plant a thorough watering.

STEP 4: Shake on Miracle-Gro® Shake 'n Feed® Ultra Bloom® Continuous Release Plant Food to grow big, beautiful flowers and more vibrant blooms. Miracle-Gro® Shake 'n Feed® contains organic ingredients like kelp, earthworm castings, feather meal and bone meal. It nourishes plants above and below the soil for 3 months—with the same great results!



Create a container garden

Container gardens are an easy way to transform any outdoor space into an oasis.

WHAT YOU NEED:

- A mix of decorative pots or hanging baskets (with drainage holes)
- A variety of plants
- Miracle-Gro® Moisture Control® Potting Mix
- Miracle-Gro® Shake 'n Feed® All Purpose Plant Food



STEP 1: Fill containers with at least three inches of potting mix. Since containers dry out quickly, use Miracle-Gro® Moisture Control® Potting Mix to help prevent over and under watering. Then dig a hole for one plant at a time and plant your flowers.

STEP 2: Plan your arrangements and get creative. Think tall, bold plants in the centre or back of the pot, and add trailing plants that hang over the edge. Finally, fill any empty spots with smaller flowers as a finishing touch.

STEP 3: Gently water until excess water comes out the drainage holes. Remember, pots dry out more quickly than in-ground gardens, so check them daily. Add Miracle-Gro® Shake 'n Feed® All Purpose Continuous Release Plant Food after a few weeks to grow bigger, more beautiful plants. Miracle-Gro® Shake 'N Feed® includes organic ingredients to feed above and below the soil. The formula supports root development and improves the plant's water uptake, when it requires it—while delivering the same great Miracle-Gro® results.

STEP 4: Arrange your containers to create your look. Try grouping different pots together for a bit of drama.



Easy-to-grow flowers and no-fuss vegetables

SEASON*



Plant in the spring



Plant in the summer



Plant in the fall

SUNLIGHT*



Full sun exposure



Moderate exposure



Shade-loving

WATERING*



Keep moist



Water when dry



Petunia

Sturdy flowers that can handle the summer heat. Great for groundcover or in pots.



ANNUAL



Green Beans

These particular beans are easy to plant.



PLANT AFTER LAST FROST



Bleeding Heart

Stunning pink or white heart-shaped blooms. Grows great in the shade.



PERENNIAL



Carrots

This root vegetable grows great in sandy soil, and can handle a little bit of frost.



PLANT IN SPRING OR EARLY SUMMER



Delphinium

Dark green leaves and stately flower spikes make this elegant plant a gardener's favourite.



ANNUAL/PERENNIAL



Peppers

They love the heat, and grow great with dark mulch that attracts the sun.



PLANT IN EARLY SUMMER, ONCE SOIL WARMS UP



Black-Eyed Susan

A bright wildflower that's great for borders and containers.



BIENNIAL



Lettuce

This cool-season crop can be planted every two weeks for continuous harvest.



PLANT THROUGHOUT THE GROWING SEASON

* Varies per plant variety. Always check plant tag.



Grows well in containers.



CARING FOR YOUR GARDEN

These steps will help keep your garden happy and healthy.



FEEDING

As plants grow, they source nutrients in the soil. Feed your garden with plant food to replace the nutrients and help it thrive.

- In the spring, shake on Miracle-Gro® Shake 'n Feed® Continuous Release Plant Food to feed your garden for up to three months.



WATERING

Understand the needs of your plants and water regularly. Remember, too much water can be just as bad as too little. Plant using Miracle-Gro® Moisture Control® Potting Mix to help protect your plants from over or under watering.

- A thorough watering in the early morning is best. Water 1 to 2 times a week.
- Containers require frequent watering and should be checked daily.



MULCHING

Mulching is a great way to prevent moisture loss, reduce weeds, and stop soil diseases spreading to your plants.

- Three inches of mulch is enough to keep out most weeds.
- Plant annuals first, then mulch the surrounding area.
- Wait until perennial flowers push through, then lay mulch around them.
- For a clean, finished look that won't fade, try Scotts® Nature Scapes® mulch.



PESTS

Prevention is your best approach to protect your garden. Monitor it regularly and watch for signs of critters and chewed leaves.

- Control slugs and snails with Ortho® Slug B Gon™ Eco Slug & Snail Bait.
- If you do see damaged leaves from insects, such as aphids, try Ortho® Bug B Gon™ Eco Insecticidal Soap.
- Use wire mesh around your garden to keep small animals away.



Refer to the **Ortho® Pest Guide** for more ways to control your garden pests.

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