



MAKE AN EGG BOX PLANTER



STEP 8

Firstly, get your pot ready (or the ground prepared) and make sure the egg box is saturated, by soaking in a tray of water.

STEP 9

Using your trowel, dig a hole the size of an egg cup in the soil.



STEP 10

Carefully, tear off one of the carton cups, place the whole thing into the soil and cover over. Water your seedlings regularly to help them grow. Remember to refer to the seed packet for instructions on how to care for your plants and handy tips to ensure you get a good crop. Happy Growing!

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Choose a packet of seeds and have a go at growing your own! Growing seeds in an egg carton is a great introduction to gardening and a fun and easy way for children to learn about how a plant grows. What's more, when the seedlings are big enough, the next step is simple - the biodegradable cups can be transferred directly into the ground or a larger pot.

WHAT YOU WILL NEED

1. A packet of seeds
2. An egg box (doesn't matter how big)
3. Potting soil / compost
4. Garden trowel
5. Mist sprayer or fine spray watering can
6. A plate or tray
7. A pot to transfer the seedlings too (or they can go straight into the ground)
8. Optional – crayons, coloured pens or paint to decorate the egg box



HANDY TIP:

Soaking your seeds in water for 12 to 24 hours before planting them is an age old technique to help them germinate.

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STEP 1

Decorate your egg box. Use water-based paint, crayons or coloured pens to make your planter look special. This is optional and is likely to run when watered but children enjoy getting creative.



STEP 2

Using a trowel, add soil to the individual egg cups. Fill them nearly to the top.



STEP 3

Using your finger, poke a hole in the soil in the centre of each cup.



STEP 4

Place a seed in each hole and cover with soil. Keep hold of the seed packet, you'll need it later for instructions on how to look after your plant.



STEP 5

Place the planted egg box on a tray and give it a spray of water.



STEP 6

Keep your planter in a warm and light location, keeping the soil moist by spraying with water every couple of days. Keep a look out for the seedling breaking through the soil, this should happen between 1 and 3 weeks depending on the seeds you have chosen to grow.



STEP 7

When your seedling is big enough (check instructions on seed packet) it is ready to be transferred to a larger pot or into the ground. Many vegetables can be grown indoors such as salad leaves, carrots (in a deep pot) or tomatoes. If you are growing outdoors, it is a good idea to take your planter outside and leave in a shady spot for a day or two.



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