

PLANT CALIFORNIA

HOW TO PLANT A COCKTAIL HERB GARDEN

WHAT IS A MOJITO WITHOUT MINT? EVER TRIED A BLOODY MARY WITH CILANTRO? ONCE YOU DO YOU'LL NEVER GO BACK. SHOULD YOUR MARTINI GLASS BE GARNISHED WITH A SINGLE, PERFECT BASIL LEAF, EVERYTHING THEREAFTER WILL BE A DISAPPOINTMENT. YOU MAY BE SURPRISED TO KNOW IT IS QUITE SIMPLE TO GROW YOUR OWN COCKTAIL HERB GARDEN. WHICH IS GOOD NEWS BECAUSE THE ONLY THING BETTER THAN COCKTAILS, ARE HERB-INFUSED COCKTAILS WITH HERBS YOU GREW IN YOUR OWN COCKTAIL HERB GARDEN. LET THE MERRIMENT BEGIN!

MATERIALS

1. CONTAINER
2. POTTING SOIL
3. FERTILIZER
4. GLOVES
5. TROWEL
6. PLANT STAKES (LABELS)
7. PLANTS



STEPS

GETTING STARTED

SELECT A CONTAINER THAT HAS PROPER DRAINAGE & WILL BE LOCATED TO RECEIVE AT LEAST 4 HOURS OF SUN PER DAY. NEXT, SELECT YOUR HERBS OF CHOICE. WE USED LAVENDER, ROSEMARY, SPEARMINT, PURPLE BASIL, ENGLISH THYME, TARRAGON, & STEVIA.

PREP YOUR SOIL

FILL YOUR CONTAINER, ABOUT $\frac{3}{4}$ FULL WITH SOIL & ADD SOME ORGANIC FERTILIZER. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT FERTILIZER, ANY NURSERY OR GARDEN CENTER PROFESSIONAL CAN POINT YOU IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

DIG IN

PLACE PLANTS IN YOUR CONTAINER AND DETERMINE HOW THEY WILL BE ARRANGED, BEFORE YOU BEGIN PLANTING. ONCE PLANTED, YOUR PLANTS SHOULD STILL SIT BELOW THE LIP OF YOUR CONTAINER TO AVOID RUN OFF WHILE WATERING.

APPLY LABELS

YOU WILL WANT TO BE SURE TO LABEL EACH VARIETY OF PLANT TO HELP AVOID CONFUSION IN THE HEAT OF THE COCKTAIL-MAKING MOMENT.

WATER WELL

BE SURE TO THOROUGHLY WATER YOUR HERBS AFTER PLANTING THEN WATER TWICE A WEEK AFTER. PAY IT FORWARD, THEY WILL HELP QUENCH YOUR THIRST IN DELICIOUS COCKTAILS!

SNIP & SIP

WHEN YOU WANT TO USE YOUR HERBS, JUST CLIP THE AMOUNT YOU WANT OFF THE PLANT.

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