

DIY Terrarium

Hey! Try this fun activity which can be for all ages! With this DIY Terrarium you will be able to start any vegetable, flower, or other plants easily. This is a great way to get seeds started before planting them in a garden bed or container. During this project you will be able to give your plant everything it needs: sun, water, air, and soil. You can also give it love which is very important to helping plants grow! Follow these steps to get started on your starts!

Materials:

- 2 identical clear cups
- Potting Soil
- Spray bottle with water
- Your choice of seeds
- Tape (masking tape recommended)

Directions:

The first thing you will want to do is decide what seeds you are going to plant. Be sure to choose something that your local pollinator will like!

Next you will take two clear plastic cups (clear cups allow us to see the roots growing!) and fill one of them about halfway with any kind of potting soil. Set aside the other cup until the end.

Now you will use a spray bottle to spray the soil. Make sure to get it really moist, all of the soil should be a darker color to ensure it has enough water. Avoid making it into mud or a soupy mixture. We want all of the soil to be wet enough for the seed to germinate, but not too much that it will drown.

Afterwards use your finger to make a small shallow depression for the seeds. Go ahead and take a few seeds and sprinkle them into the spot you just created. Lightly cover the seeds with soil. Make sure you don't pack down the soil as it will be too tight for the seed to sprout.

Next you will take your second cup and place it directly over the first cup. Make a seal and secure the rims together with masking tape.

Now you can place this small terrarium in a nice sunny spot indoors. Your seed will have all it needs to transform into a beautiful plant.