

Herb Gardening: Container Herb Garden

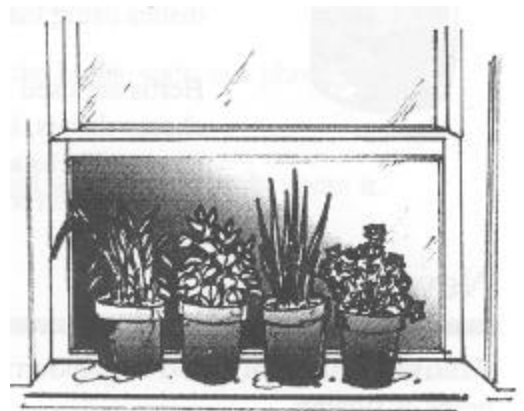
You can grow a container herb garden, inside or outside.

Most herbs are small and should be started in small pots, then transplanted to larger containers as they grow. You should have small pots, peat pellets, or seed trays in which to start your seeds in a sunny place. Fill the pots with moistened seed starting soil mix. Most herb seeds will not need to be covered with much soil. Instructions on the seed packets should tell you how deep to plant them.

Choose five or more herbs that grow well in containers (see list below).

Once seedlings have sprouted and grown several leaves, transplant the herbs into 4- or 5-inch pots or other small containers with drainage holes in the bottom. See the HELP sheet on transplanting for more directions

Grow your herbs in a sunny location. **Fertilize** as directed on fertilizer package for container plants. Water as needed.



Put a check mark by each herb below that you grow and find out how many days it should take for the seeds to germinate. Write this beside the name below.



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Harvest and use your herbs!

Suggested herbs for container growing:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> basil_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> sage_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> savory_____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> oregano_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> chervil_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> spearmint_____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> garlic_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> rosemary_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> thyme_____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> parsley_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> marjoram_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> lavender_____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> chives_____ | <input type="checkbox"/> peppermint_____ | |