

SMALL SPACE CONTAINERS - LINKS AND RESOURCES

NC Extension Gardener Handbook: chapter 18 – Plants Grown in Containers

https://content.ces.ncsu.edu/extension-gardener-handbook/18-plants-grown-in-containers#section_heading_8772

NC Extension Gardener Handbook, chapter 10 – Herbaceous Ornamentals

<https://content.ces.ncsu.edu/extension-gardener-handbook/10-herbaceous-ornamentals>

NC Extension Gardener Handbook, chapter 16 – Vegetable Gardening, Herbs section

https://content.ces.ncsu.edu/extension-gardener-handbook/16-vegetable-gardening#section_heading_7974

NC Extension Gardener Plant Toolbox – interactive database with detailed descriptions and photographs

<https://plants.ces.ncsu.edu/>

Successful Container Gardens – University of Illinois Extension

<https://web.extension.illinois.edu/containergardening/welcome.cfm>

Hanging Baskets and Window Boxes – Clemson Cooperative Extension

<https://hgic.clemson.edu/factsheet/hanging-baskets-window-boxes/>

Using Color in Flower Gardens – Cornell University

<http://www.gardening.cornell.edu/homegardening/sceneccc7.html>

Using Containers as Elements of a Design – Fine Gardening magazine

<https://www.finegardening.com/article/using-containers-as-elements-of-a-design>

Excluding and Repelling Problem Wildlife from the Garden – University of Massachusetts, Amherst

<https://ag.umass.edu/home-lawn-garden/fact-sheets/wildlife-excluding-repelling-problem-wildlife-from-garden>

Toxic and Non-Toxic Plants List – ASPCA

<https://www.aspc.org/pet-care/animal-poison-control/toxic-and-non-toxic-plants>

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Container Garden Planting Calendar for Edibles in the NC Piedmont – NC State Extension

https://content.ces.ncsu.edu/static/publication/js/pdf_js/web/viewer.html?slug=container-garden-planting-calendar-for-edibles-in-the-piedmont

How to Create a Container Garden for Edibles in the NC Piedmont – NC State Extension

<https://content.ces.ncsu.edu/how-to-create-a-container-garden-for-edibles-in-the-north-carolina-piedmont>

Vegetable Gardening: A Beginner's Guide – NC State Extension

<https://content.ces.ncsu.edu/home-vegetable-gardening-a-quick-reference-guide>

Building a Salad Table – University of Maryland Extension

<https://extension.umd.edu/resource/building-salad-tabletm>

Build a Vertical Garden from a Wooden Pallet – Texas A&M Agrilife Extension

<https://travis-tx.tamu.edu/about-2/horticulture/basic-landscape-design/from-trash-to-treasure/build-a-vertical-garden-from-pallet/>

Herbs factsheet – Clemson Cooperative Extension

<https://hgic.clemson.edu/factsheet/herbs/>

Some best practices for growing plants in containers:

- Give your container gardens the advantage of the best sunlight you have available.
- Containers can be new or repurposed – be creative! But all containers must have drainage holes.
- Use a pot big enough for the size of the mature plant's root system. Remember plants need room to grow.
- Use a potting mix in containers, not soil from your yard or garden; there are many choices on the market.
- Check the Planting Calendars or seed package for the best information on when to plant.
- When direct seeding, plan for thinning to the correct spacing for the plant's mature size.
- When choosing transplants, look for healthy plants that are not spindly, overgrown, or rootbound.
- Container plantings need regular tending. Pay particular attention to the watering needs of each container. Plants will need more water in summer heat or drought, as well as when they are bigger and more mature. Water thoroughly each time. Remember larger and non-porous containers help to hold moisture longer.

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