

Plant Resources

Water & Fertilizer Guide for Pots & Baskets

When you plant in your garden, the root systems have space to spread out and get access to water and nutrients that is in the soil. When these same plants are in a container, less root space is available and they can only pick up water and nutrients within their confines.

We've found the best way to grow plants in pots, is by mixing water-soluble fertilizer into the water, at a low rate.

- Water-soluble fertilizer or liquid fertilizer is fertilizer that easily dissolves in water.
- Garden fertilizer is fertilizer that easily dissolves in water and shouldn't be used for plants in containers.
- You can add slow-release fertilizer, like (insert product), to your potting soil. If you do that, you'll still need some water-soluble fertilizer.

FACT

Rain doesn't do a good job of watering plants in pots. Even a ½" or 1" rain doesn't get the soil wet to the bottom of the pot. Most of the time, you should **water every day**.

FERTILIZING YOUR PLANTS:

- In a gallon container of water, put 1-2 teaspoons of water-soluble fertilizer. You can make several ahead of time--they won't go bad.
- Use this to water your potted plants every time you water.
- If you use a 5 gallon bucket for mixing, use 5-10 teaspoons of water soluble fertilizer.
- Use the higher rate for containers that have petunias or geraniums, even if they are mixed with other varieties and use a lower rate with other annuals.

Diameter	How much water to use for different sized pots
10"	1/2 gallon
12"	1/2 to 3/4 gallon
14"	1 gallon
16 - 18"	up to 2 gallons



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