

Planting instructions

Vertical XL Garden

The VerticalGarden XL can be equipped with a wide variety of plants, such as all types of garden herbs, salads, cocktail tomatoes, strawberries, etc. And of course with flowers and other ornamental plants - or with a mixture of all these plants.

Only one type of plant or different types can be used per planter. Which plants go well together depends, among other things, on their different water requirements. Ideally, plants that need less water (e.g. Mediterranean herbs) should be placed on the upper levels.

Any excess water or rainwater can drain through the bottom perforation of the planters into the next lower container. The bottom planter is also perforated so that there can never be any waterlogging - excess water is collected cleanly in the special drip tray under the planters. Pouring over is hardly possible - and therefore no root rot.

However, it is ideal to irrigate each floor individually and directly, depending on the water requirements of the plants.

Herbs such as Parsley (preferably own sowing) can be cut and grow back relatively quickly for a new harvest. When removing whole plants, e.g. Heads of lettuce (including roots) always some soil will be lost, which should be replaced by new soil.

When planting for the first time, no additional fertilizer should be necessary, as this is normally contained in humus soil. The subsequent use of soil fertilizers depends on the needs of the individual plants. And: The harvest yield is not least due to the quality of the potting soil used!

If the VerticalGarden XL is in a fixed location, the side of the planter facing the sun may receive significantly more light and heat than the shady side (and may dry out faster, so it needs more water).

It is advisable to twist the individually rotatable planters again and again (every one or two days, depending on the light intensity) in order to enable uniform growth.

A complete change of location of the plant tower is no problem: Simply slide the filled planters upwards out of the stand tube, move the stand, slide the planters back one after the other - done!

Tip: If you do not want to water the VerticalGarden XL individually with the watering can, you will find suitable automatic irrigation systems on the market, e.g. „Micro-drip systems“, „drip irrigation“ or „holiday irrigation sets“. (See also keyword „Irrigation“ on www.bluegreenshop.de under „Information about VerticalGarden XL“.



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An inexpensive bag of salad seeds contains up to 1000 seeds, depending on the variety. Whoever wants to harvest a fresh head of lettuce from the VerticalGarden XL almost every day (depending on the size, 4-6 lettuce plants per week are possible) proceed as follows:

- 1.** Put some seeds in a small seed tray so that about 10 seedlings are formed. Under normal conditions (see instructions on the seed pack), these should develop in about one week.
- 2.** Now put the strongest seedlings in one of the planters. Start on the bottom floor. There is space for four to six plants on one level, depending on the size of the later grown salad.
- 3.** On this day of the transfer, put again some seeds into the seed tray for the next 10 or so seedlings.
- 4.** The resulting strongest seedlings can be placed after about a week in the next planter of the VerticalGarden XL.

If you continue this about weekly until the planting on the 4th level (or even up to the 5th level), you can harvest the first lettuce in the first planter, which has now ripened. Normally four planters are sufficient for this rotating system, the fifth (top) planter can be reserved for herbs.

Depending on the surrounding climate and the type of lettuce, a plant takes about 4 weeks from seedling to ripeness.

After harvesting the first level, you can repeat the whole thing and plant new seedlings there, so that you can continuously harvest fresh salads from the VerticalGarden XL almost every day during the planting season!

This planting example contains approximate information regarding the temporal processes. In practice, there can be different intervals between planting and harvest - depending on the type of lettuce, the quality of the seeds, the climate and also the quality of the soil.

Tipp: A salad garden is of course not only possible with lettuce that are harvested whole, but also with so-called picking salads. From these, individual leaves can be harvested at will, which grow back several times during a planting season.



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