

ORGANIC GARDENING - SAFE CONTAINERS



Organic gardening is becoming more and more popular as people are looking for ways to grow their own food without the use of chemicals. One problem many organic gardeners face, however, is what type of container to use when they start planting.

Some containers may be unsafe for growing plants due to the materials being used or how they were manufactured. In this article we will go over some safe options for containers that are perfect for your organic garden!

Remember, organic gardening is more than just growing plants. It's about keeping the environment healthy and conserving resources, while also producing food for people to eat that doesn't contain any chemicals or pesticides

Plastic Containers

Recycled plastic containers are lightweight and durable, which means they contribute to a healthier environment. They come with an array of colors that can match any kitchen too!

Recycle numbers on recyclable materials help you determine whether there's been a high risk for them leaching harmful toxic substances like BPA (which has been linked to cancer) as opposed to low-risk items such as PET bottles made from polyethylene terephthalate resin (PET).

What's the number on your plastic? Some plastics are better than others. Pay attention to these numbers and avoid 1, 3, 6 and 7 if possible because they can harm marine life!

Ceramic Pots

One of the most popular types of containers are ceramic style pots. They are made from clay and fired at high temperatures to make them durable. They come in a variety of colors, shapes as well sizes so you can find one that suits your needs!

Ceramic pots also have the benefit over plastic containers because they don't leach chemicals into food when heated up like plastics can sometimes do.

Wooden Boxes or Crates

Untreated natural wood, such as cedar or teak is a safe and appealing option for an organic gardening container. You can either buy containers made from this type of material or make your own; however, the key to making sure that you're choosing organically-safe materials is in adding preservatives before sealing them up with paint.

Wood contains chemicals if it has been pressure treated so there are other safer options out there like untreated redwood which gets its name because it's naturally resistant to rot and infestation by termites also known as white ants!

Stone

Stone containers are an attractive and safe option for organic gardening. However, stone containers are more fragile so they may not be as durable outdoors as wood or plastic pots.

Concrete is a long-lasting material that can also make good container choices because it's sturdy. Unfortunately, it's heavy too, making it impractical to move around with plants in them often.

Frequent watering might be required more than other materials like clay.

Terracotta pottery would be needed if you plan on keeping the plant indoors most of the time.

Natural stones such as granite, marble, travertine tile urns have been used historically by cultures throughout history however; there has been some controversy about their use due to pollution from mining operations potentially contaminating water sources near mines.

