

MORE BENEFITS OF GROWING IN YOUR GARDEN4ME RAISED PLANTER

We know our customers already appreciate the benefits of growing in their garden4me planters – the built-in reservoir, no maintenance, the height to mention just a few. In this article we thought we'd add in a few more benefits so that you can continue to grow and enjoy your favourite fruit, flowers and vegetables.

Planting Early



Early planting in a garden4me raised planter is possible because the soil warms more quickly for planting than soil at ground level. And if you are using a garden4me polytunnel then this will help you get started even earlier.

And don't forget the double walled construction also keeps roots warm so you will be weeks ahead of the season in getting plants started, growing and then harvested.

You can sow from seeds or use plug plants which are readily available from nurseries.

Better Soil

A productive vegetable garden depends on a good growing compound. With a garden4me raised planter you start afresh with your ideal compost.

If you are growing in the ground, many different vegetables, especially roots, tomatoes and greens, absorb metals from soils and that can cause a real threat. But by growing in a garden4me raised planter, you have the opportunity to grow in compost that hasn't been subjected to whatever toxicity may be in your garden.

Match soil to plants

And you can go one step further and match your compost to the plants you want to grow.



For example, do you want to grow blue hydrangeas? Then mix a soil acidifier into the compost prior to planting. A general rule of thumb is if you have blue hydrangeas you need a good quality ericaceous (acid) compost to keep them blue.

There are some fabulous dwarf hydrangeas out there that will thrive in a garden4me planter as these thirsty plants will get all the water they need from the built-in reservoir.

Try Hydrangea Blue Boogie Woogie which is a great colour – and a dwarf variety which can be successfully grown in a container.

Great for beginners

Garden4me planters provide an easy way to start gardening by removing many barriers for beginners. Yes, you have to invest in your planter initially, but you will be guaranteed success even in the first year.

At its most simplest, just add your compost, add either your seeds / plug plants / cuttings – fill the reservoir and off you go – knowing that something will grow.

Why not try strawberries? Easy to grow, they'll thrive in your planter as they're off the ground and can drink all the water they need from the reservoir – and they're delicious to eat!



Fewer Weeds

You'll get very few weeds in your garden4me planter as you are growing in fresh compost rather than garden soil in the ground. Plus, because you can plant densely in your raised planter, weeds have little room to grow. And the few that might find space are easy to pull from the loose, rich compost.

Maximum output for minimal effort



Even if you don't have a lot of time for gardening, you can still have a productive vegetable garden. With a garden4me raised planter, it's the shortcut to a plentiful harvest, even in the first year, as you can grow more food in less space.

You can set plants closer together so every square inch is productive — and with small-space gardening techniques, such as succession planting and vertical supports, you can ensure that every square inch of space is used

The holes on each side of your planter are designed to both enable you to fill the reservoir, and can also accommodate a trellis or supporting canes for your vertical plants.

Easier Pest Control

It's much simpler and easier to manage insects and exclude animal pests compared to long garden rows. The height of your garden4me planter will deter a lot of garden pests and the polytunnel will also keep pests at bay. And why not cover your polytunnel frame with a net during the summer months if you are maybe growing soft fruits and vegetables you want to protect.

And don't forget - less bending!

Yes, we've said it before, but don't forget that by gardening in your raised planter you will have much less bending whilst planting, caring for and harvesting your plants.

Be kind to your back and knees!



We hope you've enjoyed reading about these benefits. Please check our website for further factsheets and information.

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