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  • AeroGarden plants love a fresh water bath! For extra care, you may
  • For best growth, keep water level near the fill line.
  • Harvest frequently to maintain a healthy garden,
  • Plants will grow into each other's space and block
  • Be brave enough to prune. Pruning promotes
  • Replace your CFL Grow Lights every 6 months for
  • Always keep your Grow Lights as close to your plants as possible, taking
  • Don't wait for the 'Add Water' alert!
  • Some herbs, such as chives, thyme, and oregano grow slowly and often
  • As your plants grow, you may see some dead or brown leaves, especially
  • Tomatoes should not be mixed with other plants, as they spread out
  • Heavy fruit can cause your vegetable plants to topple over – support
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  • Wilted or dead flowers should be removed often for continued flower
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  • Systems or Soft Ties.
  • Your plants will have a 3 - 5 year life span.

Top Tips for Great Growth

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  • To harvest, remove whole leaves by cutting the base of the leaf with
  • Little bugs can find their way to your garden by riding in on clothing,
  • As they mature, plants should be 1 - 2 inches below Grow Lights. 
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  • Rotate your plants with water to wash them off. Make sure you spray UNDER the leaves as bugs usually reside there.
  • The bowl is not cleaned during daily harvest. It is cleaned monthly and refill with fresh cool water and then add nutrients.

Tips for Herbs

• Basil is usually the first seed to sprout and it grows rapidly. Harvest basil (and any other fast-growing herbs) to keep them an inch or two below the lights, and avoid raising the Light Hood until all other plants are well established.

Tips for Salads

• Salads prefer cooler temperatures between 72 degrees. When growing salads, take care to keep your garden away from sunny windows that

Tips for Tomatoes & Peppers

• When plants are about 2 inches tall, check each Seed Pod for multiple plants. Using shears, gently snip the smallest plants at the base of the stem, leaving just ONE healthy plant in each pod.

Tips for Flowers

• When flowers are 2" tall, check each Seed Pod for multiple plants. Using scissors or shears, gently snip the smallest plants at the base of the stem, leaving no more than 3 plants in each pod. 

• If mixing different types of Seed Pods together in one garden, remember to prune faster growing plants from the top so the Light

Hood remains at the lowest position until all plants are well established.

• Tomatoes should not be mixed with other plants, as they spread out substantially as they grow. Other smaller plants will not get enough

light and nutrient to grow well with tomatoes.

• As your plants grow, you may see some dead or brown leaves, especially

at the lower part of the plant. This is perfectly normal. Remove these leaves with scissors or pinch them off with your fingers.

• Little bugs can find their way to your garden by riding in on clothing,

on other plants or produce, or through an open window or door. If you

find some unwanted guests, upstage your plants with water to wash them off. 

Remember to reset your nutrient timer afterward.

• Heavy fruit can cause your vegetable plants to topple over – support

them with wooden skewers or chopsticks, or try the AeroGarden Trellis System or Soft Ties.

• Your plants will have a 3 - 5 year life span.

• Be brave enough to prune. Pruning promotes

greater health, larger harvests, and more beautiful

plants. Always try to prune harvest just above a new leaf set as seen in diagram A.

• Plants will grow into each other's space and block

light. To keep all plants in your garden healthy, 

trim back the leaves from the sides of the plant as

seen in diagram B.

• Harvest frequently to maintain a healthy garden, 

trim back the leaves from the sides of the plant as

seen in diagram B.

• Harvest to maintain a healthy garden, but take no more than 1/3 of any plant at a time.

• For best growth, keep water level near the fill line. Don't wait for the Add Water alert!

• AeroGarden plants love a fresh water bath! For extra care, you may

empty the water out of your bowl every other feeding time (once monthly) and refill with fresh, cool water and

frequent care to trim back the tallest plants so they do not actually touch the Grow Lights. As they mature, plants should be 1 - 2 inches below Grow Lights.

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Let’s Plant Your AeroGarden
Just 3 Easy Steps!

Step 1 Add Water
• If growing in an ULTRA or BOUNTY model, press ‘Quick Plant’ button and follow on-screen instructions, then go to “Top Tips” on Pg 6.
• Add cool tap water or distilled water to the bowl to the ‘Fill to Here’ indicator. Do not use well water or softened water which may result in non-germination and/or poor growth.

Step 2 Plant Your Seed Pod Kit
Seed Pods are designed to fit in any AeroGarden model. Slight pressure may be needed to insert Pods fully in side openings of some models.
• If your AeroGarden has a plant ‘Select’ feature, set it to the plant type that best matches what you are growing.
• Plants grow best and look best if tall plants are in the back row, medium plants along the sides, and short plants are in front. Seed Pod labels often identify plant height to assist with placement of Pods.
• Seed Pod Kits for Tomatoes and Peppers may include fewer seeded Pods to make room for the large plant size. Leave empty spaces between pods to allow plenty of room for plants to spread out.
• Do not remove labels from Seed Pods. Labels identify plant type and plant height, show the germination time, and inhibit algae growth.

Step 3 Feed Your Garden
Instructions for use of nutrients are printed on the nutrient package.
• Add nutrients directly into the water bowl at start-up, and when the ‘Add Nutrient’ reminder activates (every two weeks).
• Add only the amount recommended on the packaging. Do not overload!
• Always top off water level when adding nutrients. For best results, top off the water level in your garden regularly.

Congratulations!
You’re on your way to a beautiful garden. For best results, please read “Top Tips for Great Growth” on Page 6.

Growing Date:

Step 4 Sanitize Your Garden
After each planting, you should clean and sanitize your AeroGarden to reduce the risk of root pathogens that can destroy your crop. Here’s how:
• Fill the Bowl with water and add ¼ cup of chlorine bleach.
• Let the water pump or aerator circulate the bleach solution for five minutes.
• Empty the bleach solution from the bowl, rinse well, and then fill with clear water (no bleach).
• Allow the pump or aerator to circulate the clear water for 5 minutes.
• Empty and rinse once more to ensure that all bleach is removed.

OR without bleach
• Use 5 cups of distilled white vinegar instead of bleach and follow the instructions above.

It is important to restart the nutrient timer before planting a new Seed Pod Kit. Refer to your user guide or your AeroGarden control panel for reset instructions.

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Nutrient Requirements

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