

Recycled Herb Planter

Materials:

- 1 recycled container (can, yogurt container, milk carton)
- sun

- time love

- soil
- seeds

Equipment: Scissors, hammer, nail Instructions:

1. Start out by cleaning out your recycled container. Decide if you want to have the planter inside or outside.

2. If you'd like to have it outside you will need a hole in the bottom. As you can see in step two you can use a hammer and nail to create a small hole at the bottom or your can. This will work with the recycled carton or plastic container too. (2) If you are using a milk crate cut one side of the milk crate out, using scissors, this will be the opening of your planter.

3. Once you have cleaned and prepped your recycled container fill it with soil. Basil and chives are wonderful herbs to start with as they are forgiving and easy to grow. Read the instructions on the seed packet you've chosen, or simply put a few seeds no more than an inch in the soil. Sprinkle soil on top and water until surface soil is moist, but not soaked.

4. Place the container in the sun. Using a spray bottle or watering can to water the soil so that it remains consistently moist but not drowned (every day, or every other day depending on if it's in the sun or outside). Once the plant sprouts allow for it to grow a sturdy base (about 8 weeks from when the seed is planted). When the plant is established trim leaves from the base up (or trim down if it's chives or a bushier herb like rosemary), allowing for it to continue to grow. Enjoy!