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Kaffir Lime

If you enjoy food from Indonesia you have likely tasted kaffir lime leaves. *Citrus hystrix* is native to tropical Asia, but you can grow them in your home garden if you protect them from winter frost. Kaffir lime leaves are often an exotic addition to soups and other dishes made in Thailand and the cuisines of Laos, Cambodia and other countries in that part of the world. Kaffir limes lend themselves well to container gardening, so if you live in a cooler climate, never fear—you can move your plant indoors when spring approaches.

Mix one shovelful of compost into the potting mix, and if you want, also add some perlite or vermiculite to help retain moisture in the soil.

Fill the pot about three-fourths full with a potting mix combination.

Plant the kaffir lime seed at 5mm deep.

Allow up to 6 weeks for the seed to germinate.

Water your new plant thoroughly and place it in an area that gets plenty of sun.

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