

Transplanting

Preparing The Coir Block

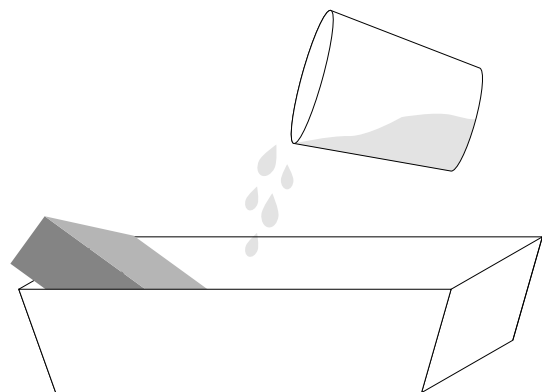
Stage 1

You will need...

- a large watertight container
- approx 600ml of water
- 1 coir block

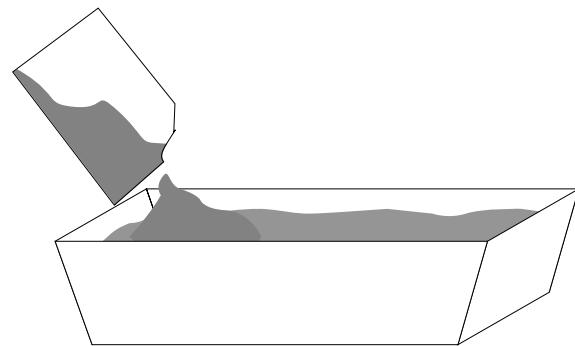
Simply place the coir block into the container. Add the water and leave to absorb. The coir will expand to 3 times its original size.

Once the coir has stopped expanding, stir it around to ensure there are no hard lumps. If you need to add extra water do this a little at a time.



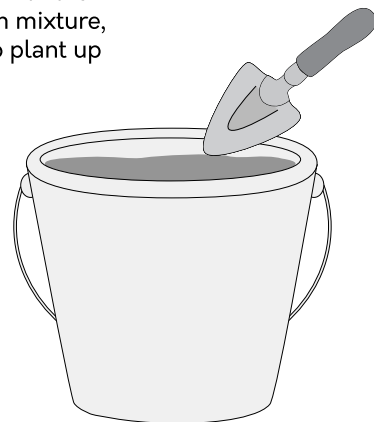
Stage 2

Empty the soil bag onto the container and mix with the damp coir to create a moist growing medium.



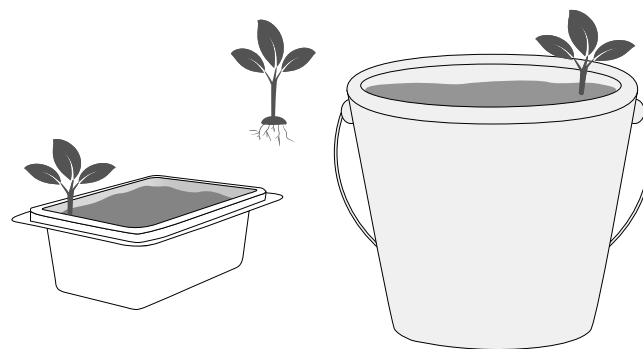
Stage 3

Fill the bucket planter with the moist growing medium mixture, keeping a little back to plant up the seedlings.



Stage 4

Transplant 3 of the seedlings into the planter by gently teasing them from the propagator. Take care not to break plant the roots or stem.



Stage 5

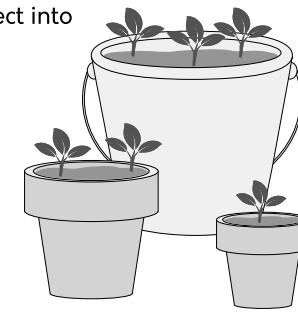
Place the planter in a sunny position in a greenhouse or conservatory. Turning regularly to avoid the plants growing sideways towards the sun.



Stage 5

Once the risk of frost has passed the planter can be placed outdoors in a sunny position. Follow instructions on hardening off before placing plants outdoors.

Remaining seedlings and extra seeds can be sown or transplanted direct into borders and beds or into other planters.



Top Tips

Getting The Best From Your Plants

The planter shouldn't need any water for a few days; the coir will hold water keeping the plants roots hydrated.

To check if the planter needs water simply touch the surface of the growing medium. If the surface feels damp the planter will not require water.

In warm weather the planter will need checking daily.

Dead head sweet peas regularly to encourage new blooms. This will extend the flowering period.

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Sweet Pea Growing Guide



Sweet Pea

Little Sweetheart Mix

- Dwarf bushy variety
- Blooms into early autumn
- Bi-colour rose-white blooms
- Growing height: 20-30cm
- Ideal for beds, borders and patio containers



Complete Grow Kit

Little Sweetheart Mix

Thank you for choosing Pronto Seed's Bucket Grow Kit!

Little Sweetheart is a dwarf, bushy sweet pea variety which requires no supports and produces stunning white and pink bi-coloured blooms on short, strong stems.

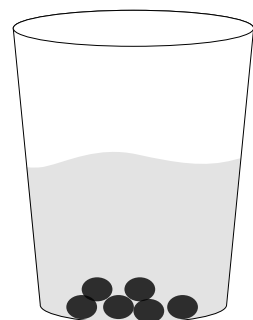
This variety has an outstanding garden performance, flowering over a long period. There are enough seeds in this kit to complete several sowings and is ideal for planting up in beds, borders and patio containers.

Getting Started

Soaking Seeds

To speed up germination you can soak your sweet pea seeds overnight.

Carefully open the seed sachet and empty the seeds into the water. Leave the seeds to soak overnight, this will soften the shell helping to speed up the germination process. In the morning the seeds can be drained and sown as per the instructions.



Sowing Seeds

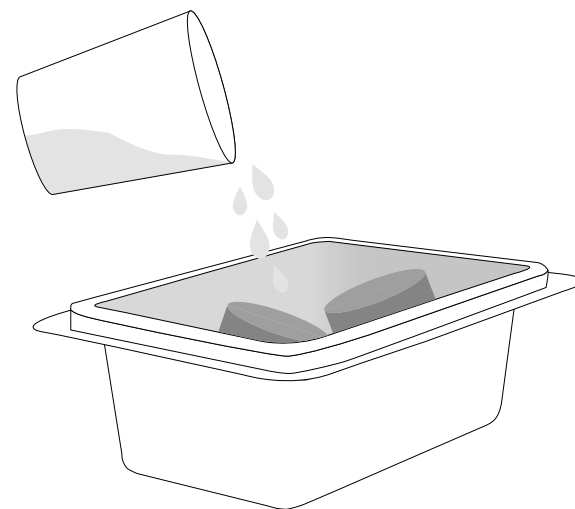
Preparing The Coir

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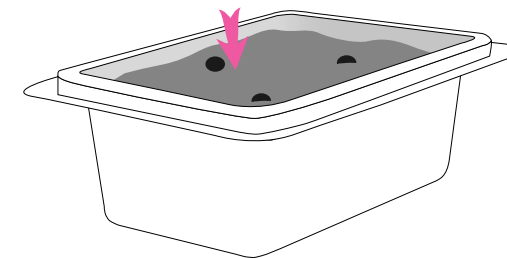
- mini propagator
- approx 60ml water
- 2 coir disks

Simply place the coir disks into the propagator tray. Add the water and leave to absorb. The coir will expand to 3 times its original size. Once the coir has stopped expanding, stir it around to ensure there are no hard lumps. If you need to add extra water do this a little at a time.



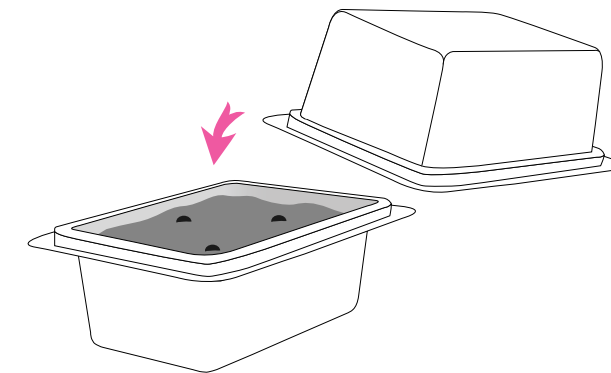
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Place seeds onto the damp coir and press them down.



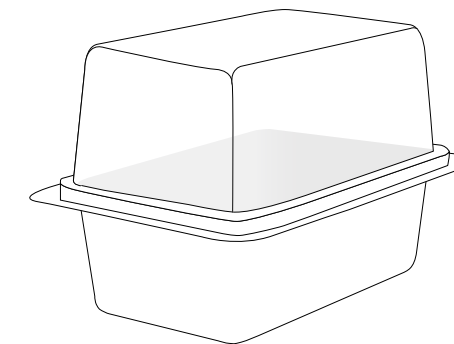
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Place the propagator lid onto the base.



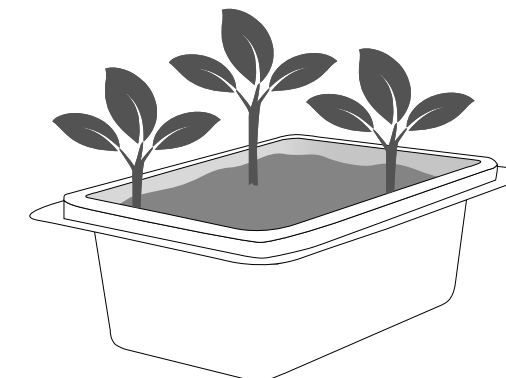
Stage 4

Place the propagator on a warm sunny windowsill and wait for the seedlings to emerge.



Stage 5

Once seedlings are large enough to handle they can be transplanted.



Sow indoors January - March

Sow into propagator for best results following instructions.

Transplant March - April

Once seedlings are large enough to handle transplant into bucket planter and grow on indoors.

Harden Off April - May

Seedlings grown indoors can be transplanted outdoors once the risk of frost has passed. Place plants outdoors during the day and bring back indoors at night. Do this for 1 week to acclimatise plants to outdoor conditions. Plants should be situated outdoors in a sunny position from May.

Direct Sow April - May

Seeds can be sown direct outdoors once the risk of frost has passed. Space seeds 5 - 10 cm apart in beds, borders or other patio containers, thinning as needed when large enough to handle.