

# WATER GARDEN SETUP INSTRUCTIONS FOR HYDROPONIC USE (NO FISH)

## SET UP THE WATER GARDEN

### WHAT YOU'LL NEED



Tank



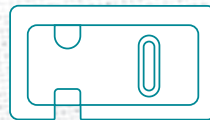
Pump



Clip



Tube



Grow Bed



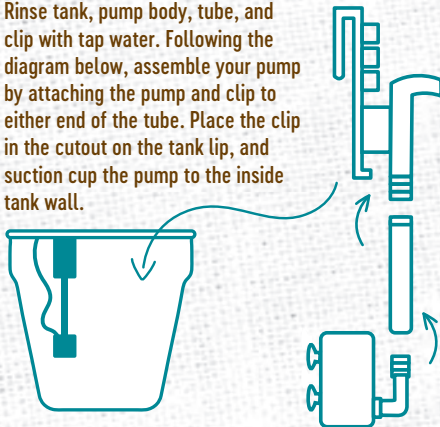
Grow Pods



Water Sponge

### STEP 1:

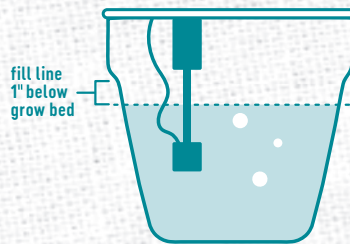
Rinse tank, pump body, tube, and clip with tap water. Following the diagram below, assemble your pump by attaching the pump and clip to either end of the tube. Place the clip in the cutout on the tank lip, and suction cup the pump to the inside tank wall.



The pump cord is submersible, but avoid getting the electrical plug wet while assembling your Water Garden. Refer to pump

### STEP 2:

With your pump installed, fill your tank with room temperature tap water to 1" below where the grow bed will sit.



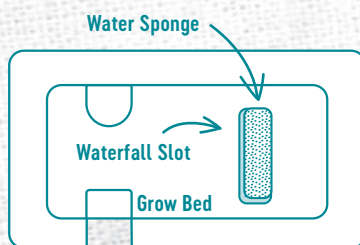
### STEP 3:

Consider customizing the interior of your tank. Adding decorative stones, statues, or even underwater plants can create a beautiful underwater scene!



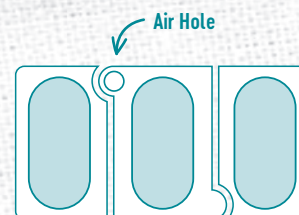
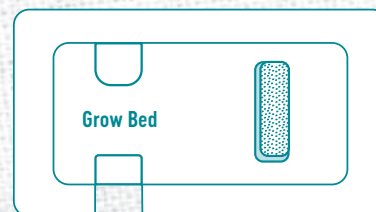
### STEP 4:

Rinse the bed, sponge, and grow pods with tap water. Place your water sponge in the waterfall slot indicated in the diagram.



### STEP 5:

Arrange your grow pods in the grow bed, making sure to align the round air hole in the grow pod and grow bed.



Grow Pods

# TRANSPLANT YOUR HOUSEPLANTS

## STEP 1:

Remove transplant from its temporary container. For plastic pots, lightly pinching the container sides can help loosen the roots and soil for easy removal. Gently pull plant from container by the stem base and break off any bound roots that have developed. Massage away loose soil around the roots, taking care not to damage many of the roots in the process.



## STEP 2:

Fill a container with water and plunge plant roots into the water. Carefully move the plant around to clean off the remaining soil.

**IMPORTANT:** transplant and roots should be free of soil before adding it to your Water Garden. If necessary carefully rinse roots under your sink faucet to clear any remaining dirt.



## STEP 3:

Wash your grow medium with tap water to remove any dust or debris. Remove your grow pods from the bed and fill with a thin layer (~1/2 inch) of grow medium. Layer thickness can be adjusted based on the size of the transplant.



## STEP 4:

Place plant into grow pod, cover roots and part of plant stem with grow medium, ensuring plant is vertically supported. Rinse the pod with tap water to ensure no dirt is left on roots or in the grow medium.

Place pod into the Water Garden Grow Bed, and repeat these steps for your 2nd and 3rd transplants. Place the fully-planted bed back into the top of the Water Garden and turn on your pump.



## ONGOING CARE

### KEEP YOUR PLANTS WELL-FED!

Your new garden will need fertilizer to grow its best. We recommend adding all-purpose liquid plant food monthly, or as often as recommended for your specific houseplants.

**Good Dirt makes one of our favorites!**

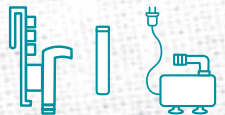
### EVERY TWO WEEKS

Add water to keep the level within ~1" of the bottom of the grow bed.



### EVERY MONTH

Unplug and rinse pump under water to clean buildup around the vent and maintain water flow.



And just like that your Water Garden is ready to grow! Have other questions? As always, Back to the Root's team of growing experts are here for you. Reach out and we'll get you growing!

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