

In The Potting Shed

Tips for Hanging Baskets

The soil is most important. a mixture of Multipurpose and John Innes No3 composts in proportions of 5 to 1, with this add moisture retention granules and long term fertiliser granules.

Position and size of basket. The bigger the basket the easier it is to maintain. The position of the basket i.e full or partial sun helps with the selection of what type of plants you can use. Scent maybe important in your basket especially if near a door or window. It is important that you have a strong bracket for your basket.

Filling of Basket. If your basket is going against a wall decide where the back will be and place non trailing plants there. In the centre place an upright plant possibly Zonal Geranium or non - stop Begonia. There are many types of flowering plants that trail colour and types are a personal choice and readily available at garden centres or your local horticultural society plant sale. Mixed baskets are colourful and can disguise a single plant failure, whilst a single colour or planting gives real impact. For a complete change you could plant trailing tomatoes or strawberries. Herbs also make for an interesting basket.

Care of Baskets. Water at least once a day even on rainy days. Feed once a week with Tomato fertiliser to encourage flowering. Deadhead the plants to prevent seeds forming and trim back any over exuberance of an individual plant.

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