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# STARTING YOUR SEEDS

ONE SOAK starter cubes in fresh water for 30 minutes.



2 RETURN soaked cubes to germination tray, then place seeds into cube openings and lightly cover them with vermiculite:

Small seeds (e.g, lettuce): 6-10 seeds

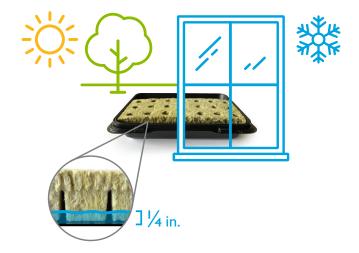
Large seeds (e.g., chard): 4-6 seeds



3 SPRINKLE each hole with water, and add about 1/4 inch water to bottom of tray. Do not close lid.



4 PLACE tray in a semi-shaded area outside in warm weather, or inside by a sunny window. Water as needed to keep vermiculite moist and to maintain 1/4 inch in tray.



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5 TRANSFER to full-sun outside area immediately when seeds have sprouted—about 4–8 days.

Separate un-sprouted cubes and place into a separate tray.



**WATER** as needed until seedlings are fully sprouted and healthy—about 1–3 weeks.

When your seedlings are about two inches tall and have roots protruding from the bottom of the rockwool cubes, it's time to transplant.



7 TRANSPLANT seedlings to Tower Garden by placing one cube inside each net pot, gently pressing until cube touches the pot base.

*Important:* Cube must be touching base to receive proper water and nutrients.



#### **DID YOU KNOW...?**

Tower Garden will also work with pre-sprouted seedlings purchased from a Tower Garden Certified Seedling Provider (www.towergarden.com/seedling-providers)—a great option for plants that take longer to germinate. Visit our Tower Garden YouTube channel for details on planting seedlings.



## FILLING RESERVOIR AND ADDING NUTRIENTS

- 1 Your Tower Garden will hold approximately 20 gallons when filled to within 3 inches of the top lid. Fill the reservoir with cool water. Do not overfill the reservoir. NEVER use softened water, heavily chlorinated water, or very hard water, as it may damage your plants. (If you have hardwood floors or carpet, we recommend placing a mat under the reservoir before filling it.)
- 2 Add the correct amount of Mineral Blend to the reservoir (20ml each of Mineral Blends A and B for each gallon of water).
- Use a spoon or other utensil to stir in the nutrients thoroughly. Do not use your hands, as the solution may be slightly acidic or alkaline and can irritate the skin.
- 4 Use the pH tester kit to test the pH of the solution in the nutrient reservoir. The optimal pH is 5.5 to 6.5. If an adjustment is necessary, add one teaspoon / 5 mL of the pH buffering solution (included) to either raise (pH+Base) or lower (pH-Acid) the pH. Follow all safety instructions on the pH bottles. Avoid contact with the skin. Repeat this process until you reach the desired pH level.
- 5 A timer is included, as your Tower Garden functions best when watering on a cycle rather than a continuous flow. Plug the timer directly into a wall outlet and follow the instructions on the back of the timer.
- 6 Plug the pump into timer. (If an extension cord is needed, plug the timer into the outlet as in Step 5, then plug the extension cord into the timer. Finally, plug the pump into the extension cord.) Check that water is flowing out of the top of the Tower Garden before putting the lid on the shower cap.
- 7 Your pump comes with an adjustable flow rate dial. Turn the dial counterclockwise to ensure the pump is open.
- 8 Place the access port lid on the reservoir lid.

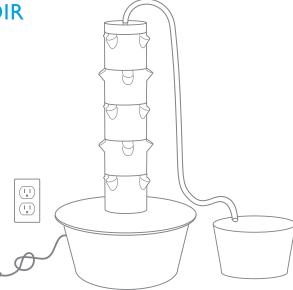
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## ADDING WATER TO YOUR TOWER GARDEN

- Keep enough nutrient solution in your reservoir so that the pump stays completely submerged. Depending on temperature and crops, a full reservoir should last 2-3 weeks.
- 2 During cooler months, add nutrients to the water every time you fill your reservoir tank. You can mix water and the Mineral Blend in a bucket prior to adding it to the reservoir (20ml each of Mineral Blends A and B for each gallon of water). Repeat the process if more nutrient solution is required.
- 3 During hotter months, your plants will use more nutrients and water. Don't let your water level drop more than half way.

## DRAINING AND REFILLING THE RESERVOIR

- Unplug the pump.
- 2 If your Tower Garden is equipped with an optional LED lighting kit, remove it from the shower cap.
- 3 Insert the drain pipe on the tip of the shower cap nozzle.
- 4 Make sure the drain pipe is facing away from any electrical plugs, and pointing into a container.
- 5 Plug in the pump.
- You can use the drained nutrient solution to water landscape plants around your yard.
- 7 Refill the reservoir with fresh water and nutrients.
- 3 Replace the optional LED lighting kit on the shower cap if you have one.
- 9 Repeat this process every six months.



Because water can drip from plants when harvesting or when draining and refilling your Tower Garden, we recommend placing a waterproof mat under the reservoir to protect your carpet and floors.

## **CLEANUP AND STORAGE**

- Remove the plants from the Tower Garden by pulling the net pots from the planting ports.
- 2 Disassemble the tower sections, starting at the top. Do not remove the bottom section from the reservoir lid.
- 3 Compost or discard plant material. Clean and save net pots for future use. If net pots are damaged, you can order new ones at towergarden.com.
- 4 Unscrew the blue swivel hose from the reservoir lid and pump. Rinse pump with clean water before storage.
- 5 After cleaning the tower sections, you can store the parts of the Tower Garden in the reservoir until you are ready to grow nutritious produce again.

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## MAINTAINING YOUR TOWER GARDEN

## **DAILY**

- ☐ Check water level. See ADDING WATER TO YOUR TOWER GARDEN to ensure correct level.
- ☐ In warmer areas, you may need to add/replace water to maintain ideal temperature 85 degrees or cooler. Place a Tower Garden dolly or a mat under the unit to help maintain water temps.
- $\hfill \Box$  When placed by a wall, rotate the tower daily or whenever possible to ensure even sun exposure.

#### **WEEKLY**

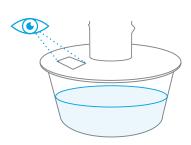
- ☐ Check the pH weekly and after refilling the reservoir, follow the instructions to adjust your pH level. Yellowing leaves are an indication that your pH may have drifted out of the recommended range.
- ☐ Keep roots away from the pump. You can trim the roots that may be dangling in the reservoir.

## MONTHLY

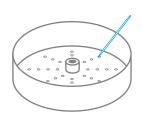
- ☐ Keep the shower cap holes clean and free from debris. You can use a toothpick to clean the holes.
- ☐ Clean the pump filter monthly. Unplug the pump, pull the pump up through the access port and remove the pump cover. Clean with water to remove debris.

#### **SEMIANNUALLY**

☐ After disassembling, clean the tower sections, shower cap and lid, and the pump with warm soapy water and a sponge.







#### **TROUBLESHOOTING**

#### Little or no water flowing out of the shower cap

- Make sure pump is plugged in.
- Make sure the outlet has not tripped the GFI or indoor breaker switch.
- Check for a clogged pump and clean, if necessary.
- Check for a kink in the blue swivel hose.
- Make sure blue swivel hose is firmly connected to the reservoir lid.
- Unplug and replug the pump from the electrical outlet. Magnetic pumps sometimes need to be restarted after long periods of continuous operation.

## Algae buildup in the reservoir and shower cap

• Light is getting into the system. Make sure all lids are secure and tight.

#### Water leaks from around net pot

- Make sure your Tower Garden is level.
- With seedlings and small plants, rotate the net pot in either direction to dislodge any object that may be causing the leak.

#### Shower cap is running over

• Use a toothpick to clean out the shower cap's holes and clear any clogs.

#### Leaves look yellow

- Make sure the pH is between 5.5 and 6.5. High pH will cause leaves to turn yellow.
- Add Mineral Blend as recommended on bottle labels to ensure nutrient levels are sufficient.



For further assistance, call our Customer Support team at

866-235-0414

between 8am-5pm CT Monday-Friday.

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#### LIMITED WARRANTY

The Juice Plus+ Company, LLC warrants that the Tower Garden® by Juice Plus+® will be free from defects in materials or workmanship under the following warranty provisions:

- (a) CORE COMPONENTS For a period of Five Years from the date of purchase by the original retail customer, The Juice Plus+ Company will repair or replace any defective original core plastic component, which are the Nutrient Reservoir, Reservoir Lid, Access Port Lid, Tower Sections, Shower Cap, Shower Cap Lid, Pump and Timer.
- (b) OTHER COMPONENTS For One Year from the date of purchase by the original retail customer, The Juice Plus+Company will repair or replace any defective original component not covered under the warranty above, including LED Grow Lights, excluding Consumables.

Within the warranty period, The Juice Plus+ Company will, at its sole option, repair or replace any components that fail in normal use and, which upon inspection if requested by The Juice Plus+ Company, show to be defective in materials or workmanship. Such repairs or replacements will be made at no charge to the customer and The Juice Plus+ Company will arrange for the requested return of any defective components free of charge. The Juice Plus+ Company will also arrange delivery of the repaired or replacement component free of charge.

#### HOW TO OBTAIN WARRANTY SERVICE:

To obtain warranty service, call Tower Garden Customer Care within the warranty period at 1-866-235-0414 for instructions and a Warranty Service Authorization number (WSA).

#### **WARRANTY LIMITATIONS:**

This limited warranty does not apply to: (i) damage caused by accident, misuse, abuse, alteration, improper assembly or installation, negligence in use, or acts of nature or other external causes; (ii) components considered to be consumable items; (iii) normal wear and tear, or (iv) products purchased for commercial or industrial use.

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