

Cannabis Cultivation 101

Anatomy

- Male and Female
- Photoperiod vs Autoflower



Varieties

Sativa - tall, tropical, energetic

• Haze, Jack Herer, Strawberry Cough

Indica - short, bushy, sedative

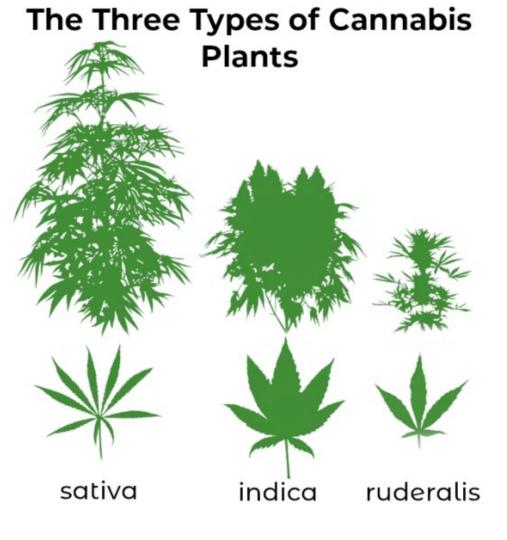
• OG Kush, Cookies, Skunk, Northern Lights, Afghani

Hybrid - characteristics of both

• White Widow, Trainwreck, Sour Diesel, most modern cultivars

Autoflower - very small, low maintenance

• Mephisto, Fast Buds, Elevated District



Methods

- Indoor vs Outdoor
- Grow Medium
 - o Soil
 - \circ Hydroponics
 - $\circ \quad \text{Peat potting mix} \quad$
 - Coco coir
- Organic vs Synthetic





Equipment

Potting mix

Pots (3, 5 or 7 gallon indoor) and trays Light (LED recommended)

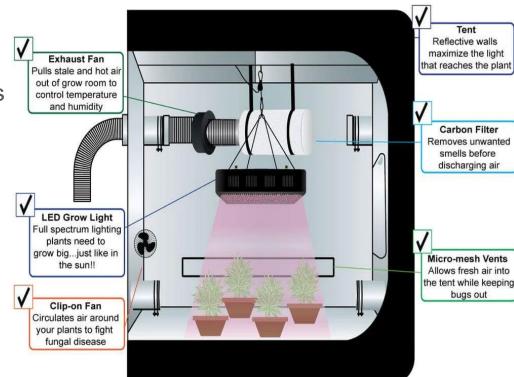
Grow tent

Exhaust fan

Clip fan

Watering can

Timer



Germination

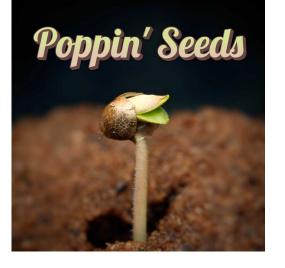
Seeds available at Capital City Organics

Feminized vs Regular seeds

Photoperiod vs Autoflower seeds

Domes and heat mats

Transplant into small pot or solo cup









Vegetative Stage

Leaf and stem growth

18 hours of light per day

Relative Humidity 55-70%

Temperature 75-85 °F

Introduce vegetative nutrients (see feed chart, low dose)

Transplant into final pot before flowering



Pest Management

Prevention is key

Common pests: spider mites, fungus gnats, aphids, powdery mildew

Climate in proper parameters and reducing plant stress

Cleanliness of grow space

Foliar sprays: oil-based, soaps, bioinsecticides, alcohol-based, enzymes





Training

Pinch off tops of plants to encourage bushy growth

Train stems so all tops receive direct light (stakes, ties)

Use trellis net to create level canopy (screen of green)

Remove old leaves and thin stems that do not receive light



Transition Stage

Plant stretches and shows preflowers

12 hours of light per day

Relative Humidity 50-60%

Temperature 70-80 °F

Introduce flowering nutrients (see feed chart)

Last opportunity for foliar sprays



Flowering stage

Flowers develop on tops of plants, produce cannabinoid-rich trichomes

Terpenes determine aroma and experience

12 hours of light per day

Relative Humidity 40-55%

Temperature 70-75 °F

Increase flowering nutrients (see feed chart)



No sprays

Harvest

When pistils turn brown and trichomes become cloudy, cut plants down

Hang dry in a cool, dark place

Relative Humidity 45-50%

Temperature 55-65 °F

Once small stems snap loudly, buck buds off of branches and into an airtight container or jar



Curing and trimming

Open container once per day for 30 minutes for the first week

RH inside container should land between 58-62%

Temp should stay below 68 °F

Let flowers age for 2-4 weeks in sealed container for improved smoothness and aroma

Can trim at any stage to remove leaves and separate flowers from stems





Processing

- Use fluffy buds (larf) and frosty leaves (trim)
- Edibles
 - Decarboxylation
 - Oil extraction
 - Alcohol extraction
- Hashish
 - Dry ice
 - Bubble bags







Q & A