



**Creative Intensive Small Space Gardening**

# *Elements of Nature*

BOTANICALS AND FARMACEUTICALS

*Established 2006*

**An Urban Farm Where Creativity and Nature Thrives**

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# Issues to Ponder BEFORE your Journey

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- Can you Fit Gardening into your Schedule?
- What type of Space do you have?
  - Backyard – Community Garden – Grow Box – Grow Bags – Containers
- How much Direct Sunlight will the space receive?
- What will you grow?
  - Vegetables – Herbs – Flowers
    - What type?
    - Seeds or Transplants?

# Let's Get Started

- Space and Location Considerations
- Small Space Gardening Styles and Options
- Plant Considerations
- Basic Supplies
- How to Care for Your Small Space Garden





# How Much Space Do You Really Need?

- One Foot wide by Six-Foot Long Row Planting Area
- 5-Gallon Food Grade Bucket
- Oversized cedar container
- An untreated wooden box
- A Cinder Block

# What Space Will You Use





# Easy to Grow Plant Choices

- **Main Crops**

- Cucumbers
- Basil
- Cucumbers
- Lettuce
- Mints
- Oregano
- Peas
- Pole/Running and Bush Beans
- Squash
- Tomatoes

- **\*Companions**

- \* Marigold
- \* Zinnia























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# Basic Supply Options

2x4 or 2x6 untreated wood

Cattle Panel

Cedar Planters

Grow Bags

Five-gallon Food Grade Buckets

Potting Soil (for closed bottom)

Staple Gun and Staples

Fence Panels

Galvanized or Deck Screws

Galvanized Pipes

Galvanized Wire

Outdoor Utility Rope

Pallets – food safe only for edibles

Plastic Pipes (For Arch)

Plastic Recycled Soda Bottles

Chicken Wire Or Cattle Wire (For A-Frame Arch)

Cinder Blocks

Garden Soil(for open bottom bases)

Transplants or Seeds

Wooden Pallets

# Small Garden Care and Maintenance

- Select Hardy Transplants and Viable Productive Seed
- Use a Well-Balanced Potting Soil Mix
- Watch Water Levels
- Select a Location out of High Winds when possible
- Select a Location that gets 6-8 Hours of Daily Sun
- Keep Well-Fertilized
- Keep Drought Resistant Plants On the Upper Levels (Tomatoes with Herbs)
- Shade Loving Plants and water Loving Plants on the Lower Levels(Lettuce)
- Harvest Often to Improve Production and Avoid Spoilage

# Where to Buy Gardening Recyclables and Supplies

Community Forklift, 4671 Tanglewood Drive, Edmonston, Maryland

Facebook Marketplace

Free Stuff Websites

Yard Sales

- One person's Trash can be reimaged into another person's Garden -

- AMAZON -

# Resources and Photo Credits

<https://morningchores.com/pallet-garden/>

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