



# CONTAINER SIZE GUIDE

Pick the right pot size

## Introduction

Welcome to *The Blossoming Garden's* Container Size Guide! Choosing the right container size is crucial for healthy plant growth. This guide will help you determine the best pot size for your vegetables, fruits, and flowers.

## Understanding Container Sizes

Containers come in various sizes, typically categorized as small, medium, and large. Here's a breakdown to help you choose the right one:

### Small Containers

*Diameter:* 6-8 inches

*Volume:* 1-2 gallons



Ideal for herbs like basil and chives, small flowers like pansies, and compact vegetables like radishes. Small containers are best for plants with shallow root systems or those that don't require a lot of space.

### Medium Containers

*Diameter:* 10-14 inches

*Volume:* 3-5 gallons



Suitable for larger herbs like rosemary, medium-sized flowers like marigolds, and vegetables such as tomatoes, peppers, and bush beans. These containers provide enough space for moderate root development.

### Large Containers

*Diameter:* 16+ inches

*Volume:* 5+ gallons



Perfect for larger plants like dwarf fruit trees (e.g., dwarf citrus), climbing vegetables (with support structures), and a variety of flowers in mixed arrangements. Large containers ensure ample room for extensive root systems.

## Plant-Specific Recommendations

Plant	Container Size	Notes
Basil	Small	Needs well-drained soil
Tomatoes	Medium to Large	Provide support like a cage or stake
Peppers	Medium	Ensure good drainage
Strawberries	Medium	Use a pot with drainage holes
Petunias	Small to Medium	Regular deadheading promotes blooming
Dwarf Citrus	Large	Requires regular fertilization

## Additional Tips

- **Drainage:** Always use containers with drainage holes to prevent waterlogging.
- **Soil:** Use a high-quality potting mix formulated for container gardening.
- **Watering:** Water regularly, especially during hot weather. Check soil moisture frequently.
- **Fertilizing:** Feed your plants with a balanced fertilizer every few weeks.
- **Sunlight:** Place containers in a location that provides the appropriate amount of sunlight for the plants you're growing.

## Conclusion

By following this container size guide, you can create a thriving container garden that brings beauty and fresh produce to your space. Happy gardening from *The Blossoming Garden!*