

SIPer™ Planting Instructions

Soil Preparation

1. You have two options for the soil:
 - Use potting soil with additional nutrients such as Miracle Grow
 - Use a combination of half garden soil and half compost plus mix in 5 handfuls of sand to aid the wicking process. Also, if you are growing tomatoes or peppers, add 3 handfuls of dolomite.
2. Whatever soil used, make sure there are no “lumps” in the soil by crushing them with your hands or a shovel.
3. Cow and chicken manure can be added to increase the nutrients.

Planting procedure for seedling

1. Soak the wicking strips in water for 10 seconds.
2. Insert the wicking strips thru the holes in the divider.
3. Insert the divider in the bucket and push down until it rests on the 4 screws.
4. Insert fill tube with cut-off edge on the bottom and dipstick thru the tie wrap into the bucket.
5. Pull the strips up until they are flush with the top of the bucket.
6. Add 4 inches of soil into the bucket. Gently pour 12 oz. of water over the wicking strips while holding the strips in a vertical position. Add four more inches of soil, and again water the wicking strips with 12 oz. of water.
7. Remove the seedling from its container and place it in the center of the bucket. Add soil until filled around the seedling with a slight crown above the top edge of the bucket. Make sure that the wicking strips are vertical. Gently pour 12 oz. of water over the seedling and wicking strips.
8. Cover the soil with mulch which could be grass.
9. Remove the dipstick, and add water thru the fill-tube until the water comes out of the overflow holes.

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