



Heirloom Tomato Grow Kit Guide

So you got yourself a Grow Kit! Congrats!

We've included this handy guide for you to make your growing experience simple and fun. Follow these steps, and you'll be watching healthy plants grow in no time!



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- **ECOWORKS EC Botanical Insecticide** - 2 oz / 60 ml



SETUP

Container:

Unfold and prop up your GeoPot in the area where you would like to set it up.

Placement:

Place your filled GeoPot in a location that receives full sun at least 8 hrs per day for your tomatoes to thrive! GeoPot has porous fabric sides, so any excess water will drain out of the pot. Be sure to choose a spot where excess water can drain away properly without resulting in standing water, or consider adding a saucer or plant tray to collect runoff.

Soil:

Fill your GeoPot with your desired growing media. Choose whatever soil you're comfortable with!



PLANTING

Apply DYNOMYCO:

DYNOMYCO needs to make direct contact with the roots of your plants in order to be most effective. It can be applied by either mixing it into the soil, adding it to the planting hole at transplant, or coating the root ball. The standard rate of application is 4 TBSP for a 15-gallon pot. See our [feeding guide](#) for more detailed instructions.

Planting Seeds:

To plant heirloom tomato seeds, poke a hole in the soil about ¼" deep and place your seed, covering lightly with soil. Water and keep the soil moist until the seed sprouts.

Planting Starts:

For heirloom tomato starts, choose one that is green, healthy, and stout--leggy starts can have growth problems later. Pluck the smaller stalks and leaves from the stem for the first two or three inches above the roots. Pull the plant from the container, lightly and gently tease and fluff its roots, and then place it in your GeoPot. Be sure to bury the plant deep enough that the newly exposed stem is covered and can grow fresh roots!



PLANT CARE

Support:

Install your Trellis Netting right away to ensure your tomatoes have the support they need.

There are two ways to set up your trellis:

1. Using stakes, lay the trellis netting across the top of the container a foot or two above the top edge, this will create a flat plane above the plant that the tomatoes will reach as they grow. Tie off the trellis with garden twine to keep it secure.

2. Alternately, set up your stakes around the container and wrap the trellis around the outside edge up to two or three feet above the container to form a cage. Tie off the trellis with garden twine to keep it secure.

Once your plant is growing strong, you'll want to gently guide new stalks through the trellis for extra support as needed.

Watering:

Water your plant every two or three days to keep the soil evenly moist. If the plant dries out more quickly due to hot weather, water every day as needed.

Because GeoPot Fabric Pots have superior aeration, they may require more frequent watering. It's always a good idea to check your soil moisture levels by sticking your finger in up to your first knuckle. If the soil feels damp to the touch, your plant doesn't need water. If it's dry, your plant is thirsty!

Fertilizing:

Geoflora comes in both VEG and BLOOM, which have similar ingredients in different ratios. We've chosen Geoflora BLOOM because it's the best all-purpose fertilizer for your heirloom tomato grow!

Amend your soil prior to planting by mixing 1.5 cups of Geoflora with the soil in the container and watering it in 24-48 hrs before transplant.

Once your plant is in the container, you'll continue to fertilize by adding a top-dress every two weeks. Do this by pouring 1.5 cups of Geoflora on top of the soil 4-6" from the base of the plant and watering thoroughly.

Do not mix with water to apply—Geoflora is not water-soluble.

Pest Control:

Apply ECOWORKS EC as a safe and organic preventative to combat pests like whiteflies, aphids, and mites.

Shake well before use. Store above 45 degrees Fahrenheit. For general foliar spray application, dilute 10ml per one gallon of water and mix. Spray once every 10-14 days. For more detailed instructions, see [Ecoworks EC Instructions](#). Use protective clothing when applying, and wait 4 hours before re-entering the area after use.

*Pro Tip: Apply this product during early morning or late evening for best results. It's best to take proactive steps and use controls like ECOWORKS EC before pest problems start!

Manicuring:

Regular pruning of your tomato plant can lead to better quality fruit and higher yields. Trim it back after transplant to one or two main stems. Remove or raise bottom branches to keep water from splashing back from the soil onto the leaves and spreading disease.

When new growth appears at an established stalk's node site, this can easily become a "sucker" stalk that will steal nutrition from the productive parts of the plant. Trim or pinch suckers when they appear to ensure your established stalks continue to thrive. Don't forget to prune or trim leaves and stalks that are yellowing or show signs of disease, too!

Harvest:

Harvest your tomatoes as they come ripe, when the fruit is the correct color and firmness for the variety you have chosen. While many heirloom tomatoes will be best when ripened to a full, bright red, some varieties never color past yellow or orange, and some like Cherokee Purples are best when they're a deep purple color! Be sure to check the instructions for your specific cultivar. Don't leave ripe tomatoes on the vine, as this discourages further flowering on the plant and can also attract pests like squirrels and birds.

Now that you've got everything you need, it's time to get growing!