

The WG Guide to pot planting perfection

Mix and matching designer urns, bowls, boxes and troughs is the fun bit – but if you want your plants to thrive in them, you need to perfect your potting plan.

Going in?

CACHEPOTS

WG pots can be used like 'cachepots'. Simply leave your new plant in its original plastic pot and hide it in your favourite WG urn, bowl or planter statement. Handy hint – lining the inside with a small saucer will catch any water overflow.

MONA TANKS

Place a Mona Tank near the base of your planter and add peat moss to the central capillary chamber. When you fill the tube with water, it will release into the soil as required so your plant can water itself and there's no messy drainage onto the surface below.

Going out?

POT FEET

For optimal drainage and ventilation, elevate your pots with evenly spaced pot feet (for large pots and rectangular troughs, support both the middle and outer edges). Letting pots wallow in trays, saucers or artificial grass is a pot faux pas, as it can allow water to be drawn through the pot's exterior and lead to premature deterioration.

CLAY BALLS + PEAT MOSS

Fill the bottom quarter of the pot with expanded clay balls and/or peat moss (with good quality potting mix placed on the top third). This assists with good filtration, cleaner water drainage and additional moisture that plants can tap into when the mercury rises.

FILTER FABRIC

The holes on the base of the pot drain excess water to avoid drowning (the big killer of container plants). By placing a filter fabric over the inside base of your pot, you'll drain your soil efficiently while retaining precious soil nutrients to ensure your green friends don't meet a watery demise. We recommend fibreglass flywire or drainage cells.

