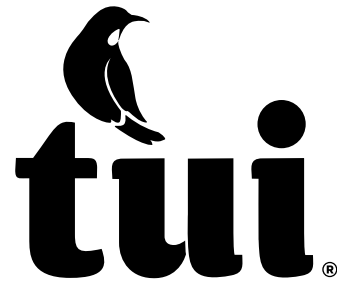


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KIA ORA SUMMER!

Share in the summer garden with family and friends. Abundant with fresh food and flowers, there's much to enjoy and make the most of over the longer, warmer days. This issue brings together handy tips, guides and inspiration to keep your garden thriving over the holiday season.

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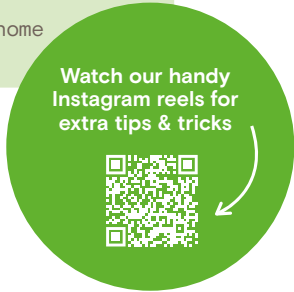
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Share your summer garden & be in to win!

Share your garden journey with us! Simply tag your snaps with #myprideofplace on Instagram or share on our Facebook page to be in to win summer garden essentials to keep your garden growing. Tag @tuingardenandhome in your stories to be featured too!

Entries close 28th February 2023.





"I LIKE GROWING FOOD AND FLOWERS. I DISLIKE MAGPIES AND EARWIGS."

- KATE, WAITARA

IT'S IN OUR NATURE!



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IT'S IN OUR NATURE BILLBOARD WINNERS

Meet the winners of our billboard competition and find out what 'it's in our nature' means to them as Kiwi gardeners.



"My poppy was a gardener too." - **Melanie, Masterton**



"I like trying new veges & growing things you can't buy in the shops." - **Luke, Whangarei**



"I'm looking forward to sharing the abundance my garden provides with friends and whānau." - **Ali, Wellington**



"Gardening ticks all my boxes: Physical health, mental health, food security. Gardener for life." - **Candy, Christchurch**



"Knowing how to grow our own food is one of the single most important things we can pass on to our children." - **Jessie, Taumarunui**



"There is nothing quite as satisfying as being able to choose dinner vegetables from your own garden." - **John, Te Kuiti**



"Gardening is ingrained into my psyche like soil is into my skin." - **Lara, Tauranga**

SUMMER GARDEN GUIDE

Keep your summer garden growing and harvests coming with our essential tips!

1



Mulch, mulch, mulch!

A good layer of **Tui Mulch & Feed** or **Tui Pea Straw Mulch** will conserve moisture, protect plants from heat, and suppress weeds.

2



Keep on top of weeds

Weeds will compete with your plants for vital water and nutrients. By mulching and making this a regular task it will prevent weeds from becoming a big job!

3



Encourage deep roots

You don't need to water every day! A good deep soak every few days is better than daily shallow watering. This will encourage deep roots and help plants survive short term drought. Water early in the morning or in the evening.

4



Make the most of water

Add **SaturAid granular soil wetter** to your garden over the warmer months. This will help your plants make the most of water and can reduce water use by up to 50%.

5



Regularly boost your plants

Feed plants with a liquid or granular fertiliser suited to what you're growing. For an extra boost and to increase resilience to insects, disease and heat, apply **Tui Organic Seaweed Plant Tonic** at least once a month between feedings.

Keep up your summer supply



Marigold



Lettuce



Radish



Basil



Silverbeet/
Spinach



Mint

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EXTRA TLC FOR SUMMER FAVES:



Watermelon

- To avoid rot, don't let water collect around the stems.
- Pinch out growing tips when they reach 1m. This will encourage more side shoots.
- More sun = sweeter fruit.



Passionfruit

- A growing structure or fence will help support the vine.
- Passionfruit grow quickly over a short period of time, so feed from spring with a potassium rich fertiliser like **Tui NovaTec**.
- Fruit falling while still green can be caused by irregular watering, insufficient feeding, insects, sudden temperature changes, or poor pollination.



Cucumbers & Courgettes

- Powdery mildew can be a common problem, especially when it's humid or if planted too close. Thin and prune plants to create airflow and water plants at soil level.
- Promote healthy growth and flowering with a liquid option like **Tui Performance Naturals Tomato & Vegetable** fertiliser.
- If your courgettes are producing finger length fruit and dropping off, it's most likely blossom end rot. Water regularly and adjust according to the weather. Apply **Tui Dolomite Lime** to help correct any calcium or magnesium deficiency.



Berries

- For plenty of flavour berries need water, food and sun!
- Remember netting to beat the birds.
- At the end of fruiting, remove strawberry runners and plant them out for next season's crop.

Follow our step by step growing guides at tuigarden.co.nz

Use your teepee for peas in spring and sweetpeas in autumn!



SUMMER PROJECT

Make a runner bean teepee

A runner bean teepee is a fun garden feature, provides strong support for your beans to grow up and tasty summer snacks! Make one at home this summer with these easy steps.

1. Choose a sunny spot with well-draining soil.
2. Add a layer of **Tui Vegetable Mix** to plant in to. Don't forget to soak your seedlings in **Tui Organic Seaweed Plant Tonic** while you set up the teepee!
3. Build a pyramid shape teepee: tie the tops of 3-4 one metre long bamboo stakes together with garden twine and push the ends firmly into the soil. **Tip!** Add some twine around the base of the teepee so the beans can latch on and start climbing.
4. Plant one or two beans at the base of each stake.
5. Give them a big drink and feed regularly with **Tui Performance Naturals Tomato & Vegetable** liquid fertiliser.

ALI'S POTATO SALAD (Serves 6)

Harvesting your very own crop of potatoes and making something fresh, packed with flavour that your whānau will remember is a very special thing! Here is my mouth-watering potato salad recipe that I often make when entertaining. This year I've grown potatoes in my Tui Potato Grow Bag and will be making the salad from my homegrown harvest.

INGREDIENTS:

1kg waxy potatoes (such as Nadine), brushed and washed
1 tsp salt
6 hard boiled eggs, peeled
2 carrots, peeled and finely chopped
1 medium Spanish onion, finely chopped
8 Dill pickled cucumbers, finely chopped
¼ cup flat leaf parsley, roughly chopped
dill sprigs, garnish

DRESSING:

½ cup good quality mayonnaise
¼ cup cream
Salt and pepper to taste

METHOD:

1. Cut potatoes into 3cm chunks.
2. Place potatoes in a pot with 1 tsp of salt. Cover with cold water and bring to boil. Once boiling, lower heat to a simmer until potatoes are tender (10-12mins).



@ali_bahmad

3. While potatoes are simmering, grate boiled eggs on the coarse side of a grater.
4. Place mayonnaise and cream in a small bowl and mix with a spoon until smooth. Tip! For a sharper flavour, consider adding 1-2 tbsp of the dill pickled cucumber liquid to the dressing.
5. Drain potatoes in a colander and lightly rinse under cold water.
6. Allow to drain well before returning potatoes to a large bowl. Add grated eggs, carrots, onion and pickled cucumbers then gently mix.
7. Add your dressing to the salad and mix through.
8. Adjust the seasoning as required.
9. Before serving, mix in the chopped parsley and garnish with fresh dill.

Discover more tasty recipes for your harvests



TOP 10 PLANTS FOR POTS



There are so many ways you can utilise the space in your garden to get the most out of it. If you have a small space, are renting, or have simply run out of planting space, pots and containers are the perfect way to grow your own!

Extend your garden, utilise space and dress up outdoor areas with tasty edibles, lush green foliage and colourful blooms in pots and containers. Discover our top picks below.



Leafy greens

mesclun, spinach, lettuce and silverbeet are ideal.



Herbs

easy to grow in small pots and add so much flavour to your meals. Try mint, basil and parsley.



Strawberries

grow in containers, hanging pots or even vertically.



Potatoes

they always taste better homegrown and take up less space in pots.



Cucumbers

add a climbing structure to grow vertical.



Dwarf fruit trees

there are so many options! Try citrus, apple, pear, nectarine, peach or apricot.



Tomatoes

dwarf tomatoes can be grown closer together, mature faster and are heavy croppers.



Petunia

instant colour and available in ascending and cascading styles.



Dwarf beans

they have a compact and bushy growth habit, so no trellis needed.



Ficus Tuffi

add some lush green foliage or create some privacy.

TIPS AND TRICKS



PICK THE PERFECT CONTAINER:

The right size pot and good drainage is essential! Pots that are too small restrict the roots, slow growth and cause plants to dry out quickly. Great options include: wine barrels, old watering cans, wooden planters and check out the **Tui Mobile Vege Patch!**



CHOOSE THE RIGHT MIX:

Tui All Purpose Potting Mix is specially formulated to give your potted plants the best start. You can also choose a mix specially designed for what you are planting e.g. **Tui Herb Mix** for garden-fresh herbs, or **Tui Vegetable Mix** specifically blended for delicious veges!



PLACE IN A SUNNY SPOT & WATER REGULARLY:

Keep in mind plants grown in containers dry out quicker than in garden beds so regular watering is needed too. It is best to water deeply twice a week rather than a little each day to encourage deep roots. Water in the morning or evening to avoid evaporation.

GROWING YOUR GREEN OASIS

If you're starting out growing indoor plants, or simply looking for a new addition to your collection, pick plants for your home that will keep your pets happy and healthy too.



PET FRIENDLY FAVOURITES:



Spider Plant

Bringing elegance and long-lasting beauty, spider plants are easy to care for and great air purifiers. Suitable for indoors and outdoors, they also make an ideal office plant.



Chain of Hearts

This popular houseplant is named after its heart shaped leaves that grow along cascading stems. Best displayed in a hanging pot or on a high shelf to show off the beautiful long vines.



Peperomia Jade

A succulent-like plant which features shiny green ovate foliage. It's a forgiving plant that will tolerate a range of growing conditions, so it's great for beginners!

Maidenhair Fern

A classic not to be overlooked. Maidenhair is a versatile foliage plant and is available in a variety of textures and sizes to suit the style of your room and add interest. A great option for the bathroom.

African Violets

A delightfully small and compact indoor plant that showcases pretty purple flowers that bloom on and off during the year. An easy-care option perfect for your desk or coffee table.



TUI PRODUCT PICK

Tui Indoor Plant Fertiliser Pods

HOUSE PLANT HOLIDAY TIPS

If you're heading away on holiday this summer (or leaving the office), don't forget your plant babies! Below are handy tips shared by gardener & indoor plant expert Lara Bui @coolplants.co.nz to keep your plants happy.

1. Move your plants to a cool room preferably on the south side of your house.
2. For plants that like moist soil, dampen a towel and pop it in the bottom of your bath. Place your plants on top so they can absorb moisture when needed.
3. For dry-tolerant plants, water deeply before you go away then stick with your usual watering regime.
4. If you'll be away for 7-10 days, ask a plant parent friend, family member or neighbour to pop in and water your plants for you.
5. Before you head away, give your plants a boost with a feed and forget option like **Tui Indoor Plant Fertiliser Pods** or **Tui Enrich Indoor Plant** controlled release fertiliser.



OUR SUSTAINABILITY JOURNEY

We're continuing on our journey to being more sustainable in the way we work and the products we produce. Discover our latest updates below.

NATURAL INGREDIENTS



Tui are proud to provide ongoing support of the **Garden to Table** programme to empower Kiwi kids to grow in the garden, including support of their annual seedling sale in October. To date we have donated \$30,000 a year for the last three years along with starter packs to help new schools get growing.



As part of inspiring and supporting our community Tui sponsored the Bay of Plenty Garden & Art Festival, with our Tui Organic Seaweed Plant Tonic going to all gardeners on the trail. We also supported The Kindness Collective to create several community garden spaces including the below at Avondale Intermediate.



We're aiming for 100% recyclable, reusable, or compostable packaging by 2025 and our seaweed refill stations are one of our initiatives towards this, with the aim to introduce more refillable products in the future. Scan to discover seaweed refill stations:



96% of our growing media/compost bags are now made with 50% recycled plastic. We're continuing trials with our growing media and compost packaging to include a higher percentage of recycled content.

50% RECYCLED PLASTIC



BENEFITS OF GARDENING

Our gardens provide us with fresh produce and beautiful blooms, but there are so many more benefits to enjoy! Discover top reasons to grow your own and why our online community loves to garden.

Being able to grow and harvest fresh vegetables, then cook delicious meals is the most rewarding and satisfying thing in life to me.

– Corrine



I am obsessed with flowers, and seeing my garden overflowing with flowers and my own bees feeding off them to make honey is an amazing feeling.

– Naomi



It's a great incentive for my children to watch their fruit and veges grow. They tend to want to eat more when it's homegrown.

– Tarryn

Reasons to garden and grow your own:

1. Helps relieve stress and clear the mind.
2. The taste of fresh homegrown food is unbeaten and handpicked blooms bring so much joy!
3. Spend time outdoors & be closer to nature.
4. Offers a great way to stay active.
5. Helps keep the grocery bills down!

I like to know where my kai comes from, I like to give back to papatūanuku, it connects me to the whenua, you can share knowledge that actually has purpose to help others.

– Meegan



Nurture the garden and in turn nourish my family, friends and neighbours with fresh, free, healthy produce.

– Monica

Top cut-and-grow again crops

Get the most out of your garden and save money with crops that grow again after harvesting!



Leafy greens – like lettuce, spinach and kale. Harvest the outer leaves as you need and they'll regrow.



Sprouting broccoli – regularly harvest a shoot at a time and it will continue to grow.



Spring onions – snip off at the base and they'll regrow from the roots.



Rhubarb – plants will last for years with the right care. Yum, apple and rhubarb pie!



Herbs – pinch off and use as needed, they'll continue to produce fresh growth.

MY PRIDE OF PLACE: JEWEL IN PARADISE

Jewel in her backyard beach



Name: Jewel, Artist and paradise designer

@jewel_in_paradise

Location: Nelson

Garden size: Approx 400m²

My garden journey started when I realised I was working too much, feeling burnt out and not spending enough time outdoors. Initially, I just wanted a nice space to sit outside and have my lunch, but it quickly evolved into something truly magical. What started with a few pots on the deck of our rental, quickly blossomed when we bought our first home.

Jewel's garden hideaway



I'm inspired by beautiful, wild places such as Hawaii and Costa Rica. The remote, untamed jungles always seem so peaceful, far from the hustle and bustle of everyday life, where you can slow down and reconnect with nature. One day I had an epiphany - why don't I create that feeling here? So that was my aim, to create a peaceful, tropical sanctuary to enjoy which would give us those 'holiday' vibes all year round.

We started by clearing the garden and rehoming the plants, apart from a few tree ferns, giving us a fabulous blank canvas to work with. Our garden is now comprised of a central lawn that is surrounded on three sides with tropical borders. Beyond the lawn, we've also created different little areas that are tucked away such as our mini food forest, BBQ area, and our backyard beach - complete with firepit and soft golden sand. I love having these different walkways and 'rooms' to explore as it makes our small section feel much bigger.

Our garden was created on a tight budget so most of the plants have been grown from cutting or seed, purchased as tiny baby plants, traded or rescued. This has enabled us to acquire an interesting collection but has required a good deal of patience waiting for everything to establish. A lot of the materials we used in our design have been repurposed and rescued as well, including a trellis fence that was being demolished and the garden edging that someone was about to throw on their burn pile! Having a smaller budget just means you have to get a bit more creative.

I would describe my garden style as 'Tropical Jungle'. Although I do usually start with a plan, our garden seems to continually evolve. My passion is to create a delight for the senses so the look is very important - lush green with pops of bright colours, but smaller details can really bring the magic. We dug the beach area down deep enough so that you can wriggle your toes in the warm sand, the palm fronds and banana leaves create a soothing symphony in the breeze, and I included a lot of fragrance in the way of brugmansia, gardenia, jasmine, frangipani and daphne, around the areas that we gather in the evening when their perfume is the strongest. Edibles delight the taste buds and I'm always creating something in the kitchen for us to enjoy.

Buddha's hand



The Prath hibiscus



Manihot garden



TOP 5 PLANTS TO CREATE A LUSH TROPICAL OASIS:

1. Palms

No tropical oasis is complete without palm trees and there's a wide variety available to suit all kinds of different climates, positions and size requirements.

2. Hibiscus

To me, they are the ultimate flower for radiating bright, flamboyant tropical vibes.

3. Bromeliads

We are lucky to have such a huge variety of Bromeliads available here in NZ, they look fantastic all year round and the array of colours to choose from is dazzling.

4. Ligularia

Every tropical garden needs something big, green and leafy and ligularia, often called 'tractor seats', are a versatile and surprisingly cold-hardy addition to the garden.

5. Bird of Paradise

A beautiful, structural plant with unique flowers which always evokes the tropics for me.

PICK THE PERFECT FERTILISER



TOP FEEDING TIP

For optimum garden growth a combination of soil conditioners, fertiliser and plant tonic like **Tui Organic Seaweed Plant Tonic** should be used. Water well after feeding too!

With a range of fertilisers available it can be hard to know where to start! We've created a handy picker tool to help simplify the process of choosing the right plant food. Whether you're looking for a cost effective option, a feed and forget option, or to feed your whole garden, we've got a fertiliser for you.



Cost effective

100% natural

Feed & forget

Liquid

REASONS TO FEED:

- Just like us, plants need food to survive and thrive!
- To add nutrients used from the previous growing season back into the soil.
- For plentiful harvest and blooms, and continuous harvesting.
- To help keep insect pests and diseases at bay.



Scan me to pick the perfect fertiliser for your garden

Discover our fertiliser range and guides to feeding at tuigarden.co.nz

KEEP YOUR SUMMER GARDEN HEALTHY & HYDRATED!

Choose from Tui's range of products to stop your soil drying out and keep your garden flourishing.



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