

Gardener's Revolution® Honeycomb Tomato Planter

Our Gardener's Revolution® Honeycomb Tomato Planter will help you grow the healthiest, tastiest tomatoes possible. It includes a perforated basket with a lightweight Grow Bag to increase airflow and sustain a stronger root system, adjustable supports, and a self-watering system to get your plants the water they need, while cutting down on your watering chores. The planter is designed to fit one determinate tomato that grows 3' tall. It is also great for growing eggplants and peppers too!

Parts List

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| (1) Planter Basket | (3) Support Uprights |
| (1) Reservoir | (2) Support Connectors |
| (2) Elevated Feet - Left | (1) Support Cap |
| (2) Elevated Feet - Right | (1) Tie Down System (tube & cord) |
| (1) Grow Bag Liner | (2) T-Locks |
| (5) Support Ring Clips | (1) Capillary Strip |
| (5) Wire Support Rings | |
| (5) Locking Clips | |

Assembly

Step 1. Use Figure 1 to identify and organize all parts on a clean, level surface.

Step 2. Use the L and R labels on the bottom of the Elevated Feet to determine their placement and slide them into the grooves on the bottom of the Reservoir until they lock into place (Figure 2). **NOTE:** If you have the optional Casters, now is the time to insert them into the bottom of the feet. If necessary, use a Rubber Mallet to tap them into place. Flip the Reservoir over so it is right-side up.

Step 3. Install the Capillary Strip in the Planter Basket by inserting both ends of the strip into the wider slots on the inside edges of the basket and pulling the strip tight (Figure 3).

Step 4. Place the Planter Basket on top of the Reservoir, positioning it so the water fill hole on the Reservoir is at the front of the planter. Line up the holes in the bottom of the Planter Basket to the matching ones at the top of the drainage columns in the Reservoir and press the Basket firmly down onto the Reservoir. **NOTE:** Press firmly along the inside edges of the Basket to make sure it is fully seated on top of the Reservoir. Take the two T-Locks and insert the narrower ends into both sets of holes. Turn them 90 degrees to lock the basket and reservoir together (Figure 3).

Step 5. Remove the protective stickers from the Support Uprights. Slide one of the Uprights into the slot in the Planter Basket, with the flat side facing forward. Make sure to slide the Upright all the way down until the base of it is fully seated in the platform at the top of the Reservoir. **NOTE:** If necessary, use a rubber mallet to tap the Support Upright into place.

Step 6. Assemble the Tie Down System by sliding the cord through the tube. Slide the tube into the slot on the open side of the Support Upright, as shown in Figure 4. Slide it down until it sits directly on top of the Planter Basket. **NOTE:** We will return to the Tie Down Systems in Step 12.

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Figure 1

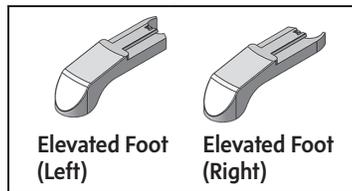
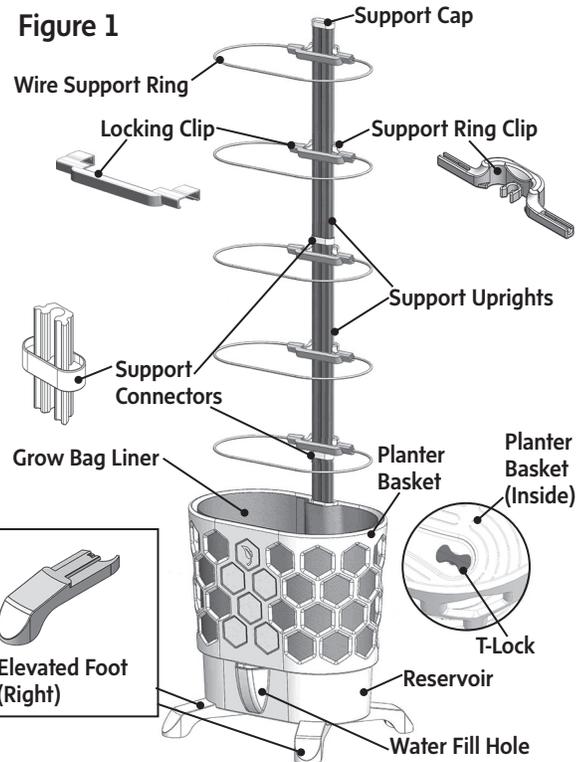


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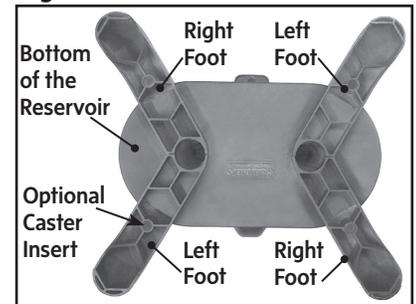


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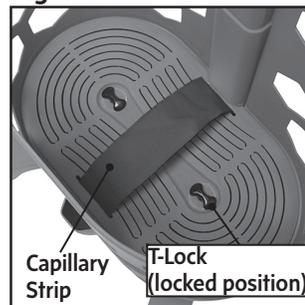
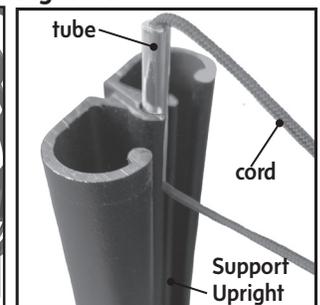
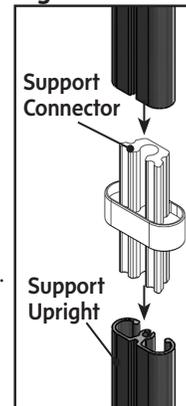


Figure 4



Step 7. Take a Support Connector and slide it onto the attached Support Upright as shown in Figure 5. Slide another Support Upright onto the top half of the Support Connector. Repeat to attach the remaining Support Connector and Upright, and then place the Support Cap on top.

Figure 5

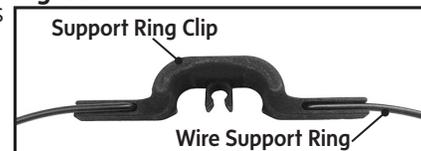


Step 8. Unfold the Grow Bag Liner and place it into the Planter Basket. Line up the sides of the grow bag with the sides of the basket, overlapping the two loose ends at the back of the basket.

Step 9. Mix 1 cup of fertilizer into 20 quarts of potting mix and pre-moisten. **NOTE:** We recommend our Organic Self-Watering Potting Mix, as well as a slow-release granular fertilizer, such as our GSC Organic Tomato Fertilizer. Fill your planter to within 1" to 2" of the top edge and add your tomato plant. **Important:** It should be a compact tomato that grows 3' tall. Water the planter from the top to thoroughly moisten the soil and settle the plant roots. Fill the reservoir using the water fill hole at the front of the planter.

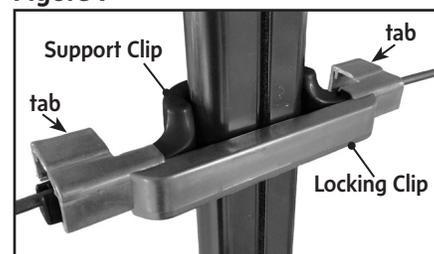
Step 10. Choose where you would like to place your Wire Supports on the Support Uprights or add the Wire Supports as your plant grows. Notice how one side of the Support Ring Clips have indents to fit the Wire Rings. With that side facing up, snap the Clips onto the back of the Support Uprights. Push the hooked ends of the Support Rings into the holes on the Support Ring Clips, fitting the rings fully into the indents (Figure 6). **Important:** Make sure the rings are pressed completely into the indents and that the ends are visible below the clips.

Figure 6



Step 11. Place a Locking Clip over the front of a Support Clip, as shown in Figure 7. Use both thumbs to close each tab on the Locking Clip, pressing them into place until you hear a click (Figure 8). Repeat to attach a Locking Clip to each Support Clip.

Figure 7

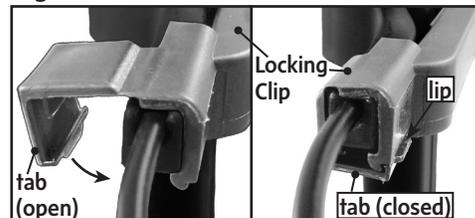


Step 12. Use the cord in the Tie Down System to tie the Planter to a post or railing. **Important:** This helps anchor the Planter and provide additional stability. **NOTE:** While it is possible to slide the Tie Down System up on the Support Upright, we recommend keeping it as close to the Planter Basket as possible, to provide the best support.

Planting and Care Tips

- We recommend planting a determinate bush variety that grows about 3' tall. With the Gardener's Revolution® Honeycomb Tomato Extension (sold separately) you can grow tomatoes up to 5' tall. **NOTE:** Avoid planting an indeterminate tomato variety that can grow taller than the height of the support.
- We recommend adding 1 more cup of fertilizer to your plant 4-6 weeks after planting. Gently rake the fertilizer into the soil around the plant and then top water to help disperse it. **NOTE:** We recommend adding a reminder to your calendar so you don't forget.
- Water your plant from the top and fill the reservoir to extend time between watering. Check your soil moisture regularly. Daily inspection may be necessary, especially if you live in a hot, dry climate or experience extended periods of dry weather. If the soil dries out, refill the reservoir and water thoroughly from above to re-establish the wicking action.
- When your plant starts to flower and set fruit, top water to keep the soil consistently moist and keep the reservoir full.
- In hot zones, we recommend placing the planter in a spot that gets afternoon shade.
- When removing a Locking Clip, press down on the lip of the tabs to open them (Figure 12) and lift the Locking Clip off of the Support Clip.

Figure 8



About Drainage: This planter has built-in overflow drainage, so when the water reservoir is full, any excess water will drain out. The draining water can stain surfaces under the planter.

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