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## Different Grow Rates

Seeds seem to have a mind of their own. While some sprout in a few days, others may take up to a month. Some plants grow fast, some grow slow, some grow tall, some short. Even the same variety of plants can grow differently. Each is unique!



## Light Height

Keep the Grow Light 4-6" over the plants.

Your plants love all the light they can get. When growing different types of plants together in one AeroGarden, expect different growth patterns, shapes & sizes.

Basil is a classic example of a plant that sprouts within days and grows tall very quickly. If the Grow Light is raised just for the Basil, it will take over and the other plants will not thrive. When it comes to Basil, remember to prune early and often.



## Plants Per Pod

With herbs, lettuce and flowers, let as many sprouts grow per pod as you like. This will lead to bigger harvest down the road.

However, tomatoes and peppers grow best with just one plant per pod. With shears, carefully cut out smaller seedlings, leaving one healthy plant per pod.



## Grow Domes

Remove the Grow Domes before seedlings begin touching the dome. At that point, their job is done. Recycle or save for later.



## Water Quality Matters

Municipal tap water works well in most areas, but if you have really hard water or softened water, consider mixing bottled distilled water (50-50 at first) with your tap water for best results.



## Add Fresh Water Often

As plants mature they start to use more water. For best growth, keep water level topped off. You don't need to wait for the Add Water Alert. A full water bowl is always better than empty.



## Be Brave, Prune

Pruning does not hurt your plants, it helps them. Pruning brings greater health and encourages dense, compact growth for bigger yields.

Never prune more than 1/3 of your plant. Pruning roots is not recommended.



## Rinse & Refill

Rinse and refill your Water Bowl monthly with fresh cool water (every other time you add Plant Food). Empty the Water Bowl, refill with fresh cool water, and add recommended Plant Food.

For more tips on plants and pruning go to  
[www.AeroGarden.com](http://www.AeroGarden.com)

**“ To plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow. ”**

**- Audrey Hepburn**

# Handy Reference Guide

## for Harvest Gardens



### Plant Food

- Add Liquid Plant Food to the Water Bowl when you first plant your Seed Pod Kit and when the  button reminder flashes every 2 weeks.
- Follow directions on the Plant Food bottle for feeding amounts and top off the water level to 'Fill To Here.'
- Touch the  button once to turn off the alert and to reset the Plant Food timer.



### Watering

- The  button indicator will flash if the water level drops more than halfway below the fill line.
- For best growth, keep the water level at or near the fill line.
- You don't need to wait for the  button indicator to flash to add water.

#### Good To Know:

Your Pump cycle is set to be ON for 5 minutes and Off for 25 minutes.

If the  button is green, you can touch it once to test your pump.



### Lights

Touch the  button to temporarily turn LED Grow Lights ON or OFF. This will not affect the timing of your light cycle and occasional use will not harm your plants.

Once pressed, the Lights will stay On/Off until the next time they are set to go On/Off.

#### Set Lights 'ON' Time

When you plug in your AeroGarden for the first time the Grow Light will come ON, and will continue to come ON at this same time every day. It will turn OFF automatically 15 hours later.

If you would like to change the time of day when the light comes ON follow these steps:

- Touch and hold your finger over the Lights On/Off button for about 3 seconds and release when it blinks
- Your LED lights will turn ON and OFF once to confirm a new Light ON time has been set

Your Grow Lights will now come ON at this time each day, and will stay ON for 15 hours.

#### An Important Note About Lights:

Your AeroGarden Harvest has a built-in timer for the Grow Light that automatically provides your plants with the perfect amount of "sunlight." As long as your plants get this amount of light, it does not matter what time the lights are OFF. You may find it most convenient to have the lights go ON in the morning and OFF at night, to match your own personal wake and sleep schedule.

#### To Start a New Garden

When you start a new garden, touch and hold your finger over the  button for about 3 seconds. The button will flash 3 times to confirm it was reset. All of your reminders are now reset and you're ready to plant.