



HARBORSIDE

**GROW
WHAT YOU
KNOW**

OUTDOOR

New to Outdoor Growing? **Grow What You Know**

GENETIC SPECIFICATIONS



Sativa Strains

- Longer flowering times
- Typically grows tall and lanky
- Smaller yields
- Does well in high temperatures



Hybrid Strains

- Varied flowering times
- Wide range of growth patterns
- Many are high yield
- Blends Indica and Sativa traits



Indica Strains

- Shorter flowering times
- Typically grows short and bushy
- Larger yields
- Does well in lower temperatures

GROW WHAT YOU KNOW

One of the best ways to get started growing cannabis is to get acquainted with the tools you'll be using. To help get you, "in the know," we've created this quick guide with visuals, descriptions, and links to online resources. For information on growing indoors or with hydroponics, check out our other guides, or visit the sites under the Growing Guidance section.

SOIL

Here are three California companies with blends, formulated specifically with cannabis in mind.

Fox Farm - Happy Frog

E.B. Stone - 420 Mix

Royal Gold - Basement Mix

POTS

Start with a 1-5 gallon pot water can drain out of and a saucer. Here are a few types of pots you can use with your plants.

Air Pot

- Helps prevent plants from becoming root-bound
- Resistant to over watering
- Requires more frequent watering

Basic Pot (clay, plastic, etc.)

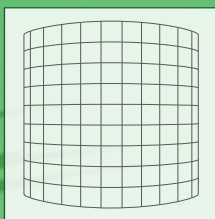
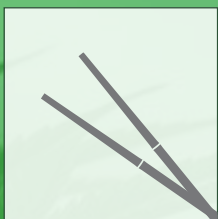
- Easy to find at most stores
- Easy to make

Fabric, or Smart Pot

- Offers more oxygen to the roots
- Dries out faster
- Excellent at releasing heat

TRELLISING MATERIALS

Mature cannabis buds can become heavy enough to snap the branches holding them. Providing additional support not only prevents this but helps maximize space, as well as light penetration. Wire caging, tomato netting, or bamboos stakes and garden ties are just a few methods used by cannabis gardeners.



PRUNING SHEARS

You'll need a good pair of these for everything from pruning lower leaves to manicuring your harvested cannabis. Here are two popular brands:

Fiskars - Known as an industry standard for decades

Chikamasa - Bonsai shears with varying lengths and curvatures



PH MEASUREMENTS

Always check the alkaline levels, or pH, of your water before feeding your plants. The right pH provides an ideal climate for microorganisms in the soil and helps protect against disease.

General Hydroponics offers a test kit we recommend -

<http://www.generalhydroponics.com/ph-buffers>

BENEFICIAL MICROBES

Bacteria, fungi, and nematodes are just a few examples of the millions of microorganisms living in healthy soil, each with a different part to play in development. Plants and microbes are constantly interacting with each other, creating a relationship that affects plant life and yield. Along with the naturally occurring ones in the soil, some growers use additives and amendments to promote growth or enhance aspects of a variety. Learn more at <https://blueskyorganics.com/growing-science/microbial-growers/>.

GROWING GUIDANCE

Ed Rosenthal - <https://www.edrosenthal.com>

Jorge Cervantes - <https://www2.marijuanagrowing.com>

Nebula Haze & Sirius Fourside - <http://www.growweedeasy.com>

Royal Queen Seeds - <https://www.royalqueenseeds.com/Cannabis-Blog>

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