

# **MICROGREENS**

Growing Instructions
Hortiki Plants Eco-friendly Seed Starting Kits





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## STAY CALM. IT'S ONLY PALM.

### **TRAYS**

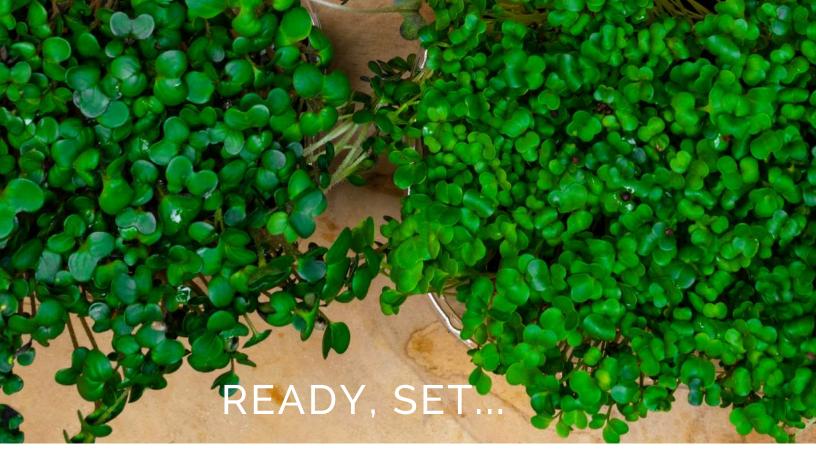
Hortiki Plants' water catchment trays are made from fallen palm leaves that otherwise would be burned releasing carbon into the air. These trays are also Forest Sustainability Council certified meaning the materials are responsibly harvested. They are a great, biodegradable alternative to plastic trays.

Trays are provided to protect surfaces from small amounts of water runoff. Because of their plant based construction, long periods of standing water can cause trays to loose rigidity.

If using mister, plants can be lightly misted in tray. If watering more completely, water plants in the sink and let drain fully before placing back in water catchment tray.

### **POTS**

The fiber based construction of the biodegradable pots included in your kit helps improve aeration for your plants. These pots insulate plant roots from fluctuations in temperature, providing a healthy growing environment. They can be reused or, if planted into the soil, they will begin to biodegrade in 2-3 growing seasons.



#### PREP SOIL

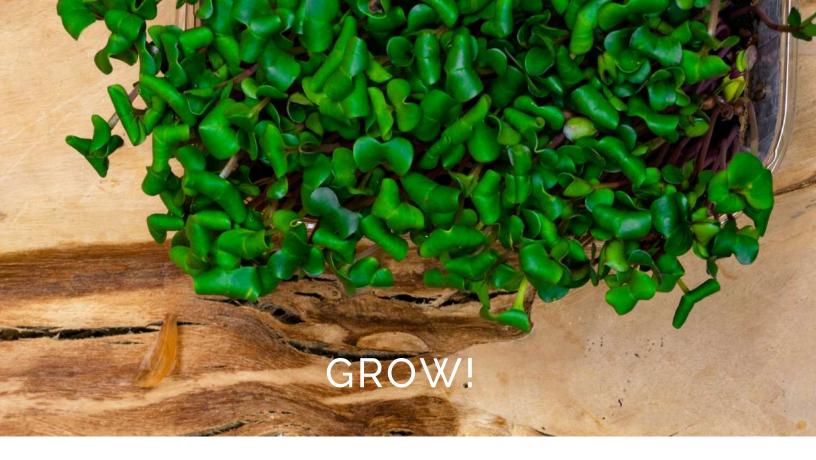
Your kit includes a combination of coconut coir pellet and potting soil. Soak coir pellets in water for 2-4 minutes. Unwrap and mix with soil for a mixture that is both nourishing and well draining. Perfect for your microgreen seedlings.

#### PLANT SEEDS

Spread seeds generously in a thin layer on top of soil. Lightly press to secure then cover with thin layer of soil. Pat lightly to secure. Place in a warm location. Label each pot using you bamboo plant labels so you know which flavor combination you are eating.

#### WATER GENTLY

Water sprouts gently every 1-2 days or when soil is dry using mister bottle.



#### MONITOR HEAT, LIGHT, MOISTURE

Microgreens don't need a ton of light. But place in your sunniest available window to maximize growth. Check on your new garden daily. Keep soil moist but not soaking wet.

#### **HARVEST**

Harvest 7-14 days after planting by cutting with sharp scissor at the base of the stem. Wash and use immediately. Or, wash, let air dry and store between damp paper towels in sealed container in the refrigerator up to 5 days.

#### RESEED

To plant new seeds using the same soil: Empty soil and gently break-up. Roots from previous palnt growth will eventually decompose adding nutrients to the soil. Soak the soil and squeeze out excess moisture. Plant new seeds, following steps on previous page.

Hortiki Plants is here to truly support your gardening journey. This is just the beginning!

If you are an experienced gardener these basic instructions may be all you need.

If you are new to container gardening and need additional support let me know! Share pictures of your plants and get specific feedback. Want to have a video chat? We can do that too.

Reach out anytime: contact@hortikiplants.com

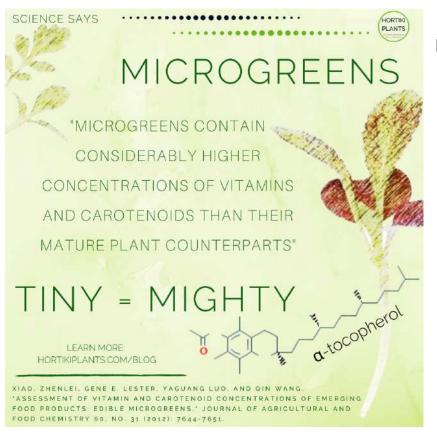
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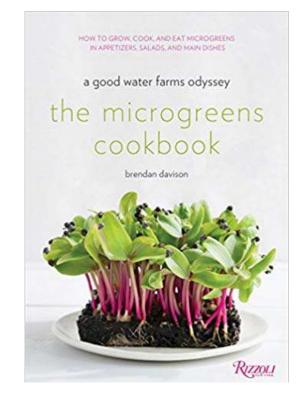
## PLEASE DON'T STOP THE MUSIC.



### Fun Ideas



Knowledge Booster: Microgreens are legit superfoods! They can have up to 40 times more nutrients than mature vegetable plants. Learn all about the science in this Hortiki Plants' blog post: Are you missing out on this secret superfood?



Kitchen Inspiration:
The Microgreens
Cookbook by Brendan
Davison

#### Grow and Celebrate Microgreens all year round.

Jan 6: National Bean Day
Feb 17: World Cabbage Day
March 26th: National Nutrition Month
April 4th: National Broccoli Day
April 14th National Gardening Day
May: National Salad Month
June 9th: National Lettuce Day
July 8th: National Beet Day

September: Fruits and Veggies—More Matters Month 1st Wednesday in October: National Kale Day

Try Something Different: In addition to the varieties included in this kit, microgreens can also be grown from cereals (oats, rye, corn, barely), legumes (chickpeas, beans, lentils) and even from squash melon and cucumber. Give it a try using leftover seeds from your summer garden.





Hi! My name is Victoria LeBeaux. I'm a scientist, hiker, cupcake lover, and the founder of Hortiki Plants.

I created Hortiki Plants to share love with:



I want to help you live your best plant life, no matter how small your space or how little gardening experience you have.



#### The Planet

I know you want to garden in an earth friendly way but may struggle to find the right materials. I have a PhD in sustainable agriculture and love reading about this stuff, but you shouldn't have to!

I will do my best to source the most eco-friendly materials I can find.

That means minimal use of plastic, materials made from plants, printing on recycled papers using vegetable based inks, and packaging from recycled materials. I'll also try to source local whenever possible and from trustworthy organizations.

#### Communities in Need

You want to support business that serve and help communities. Hortiki is of the same heart and mind. 5% of Hortiki Plants profits are donated to organizations helping people and communities grow.





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