



ROOT VIEWER

**PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE BEGINNING.
ADULT SUPERVISION IS RECOMMENDED**

PREPARATION

Set Up Your Work Area:

Use a flat surface as your work area. Cover the area with scrap paper (newspapers or paper towels work well). It is also helpful to have plenty of extra paper towels to clean up any mess. Lay out all of the materials before you begin. Keep the box nearby for ideas and inspiration.

TIME TO GET YOUR MIRACLE-GRO® GARDEN GROWING!

NOTE! The seed starter puck will double in size! Please keep this in mind when selecting a bowl to soak it in.

STEP 1:

Place the seed starter in separate bowl or container and add some warm water, (the amount of water needed will depend on the size of the bowl, continue to add water as needed) and watch the seed starter puck expand! Once the seed starter has fully expanded begin breaking it up so it becomes loose soil. Add this soil inside your viewing planter.

Note: For better irrigation of your plant you can add a layer of rocks to the bottom of the plastic tray planter before you put the soil inside.

STEP 2:

Soak the seeds in a small bowl of water for about 30 minutes before planting them.

Note: You may not need to use all of the seeds.

STEP 3:

Divide your planter into 2 equal sections then using your finger, make 2 holes in each section. Plant approximately 4 seeds per section and cover with soil.

Note: You can cover the container with plastic wrap (not included). This will keep the soil warm and damp longer. Once the seedlings sprout, remove the wrap.

STEP 4:

Place your garden in a warm, sunny area. Keep the soil damp until the seeds begin to sprout. The seedlings will require a minimum of 5 hours of sun a day, so make sure you pick a very sunny spot for your Miracle-Gro® garden to grow! Be sure to check your rainbow carrots daily and if the soil looks dry, lightly water the seedlings.

Note: The germination of your seeds will take about 14-17 days.

STEP 5:

Once the seeds start to sprout, continue to check on your plant every day. If the soil feels too dry you may have to water it again. You should be watering your rainbow carrots about twice a week, but be careful of overwatering.

STEP 6:

Your carrots will take about 8-10 weeks to grow into a healthy garden. It's important to watch your plant and take care of it every single day. Sunshine and water are very important to your garden!



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Watch Your Rainbow Carrots Sprout Roots and Track Their Growth!

Observe how your carrots grow from a seed into a vegetable by watching it sprout roots and grow in your viewing planter. Use the ruler sticker to keep track of how big they grow weekly. Add the callout stickers to the corresponding week to help keep track of how big your carrots were throughout the growing process.

Know when to harvest your carrots.

Rainbow Carrots take about 60-75 days from planting to be ready for harvest. Select the carrots with the largest green sprout and gently wiggle it loose to pull it up out of the soil.

What to do once your plants have outgrown your viewing planter:

Transplant your carrots into a larger planter, or if the weather allows, transplant the plants into an outdoor garden. Once you have decided where you are transferring your plant, dig a hole deep enough so that the soil covers the sprout. Draw a line in the soil around the outer perimeter of the plants growth and dig down into the pot. Gently scoop with a shovel down and allow the plant to come up into your hands. Place the plant into the hole you made and pat soil around it.

For best results transplant your plants using Miracle-Gro® Potting Mix and feed as directed with Miracle-Gro® plant food (sold separately).



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