



Small Space Eco Gardening - Fact Sheet

What is small space eco gardening?

Small space eco gardening focuses on the successful growing of food plants in small areas where the capacity to grow plants is limited. This may include a balcony, a courtyard or even a sunny spot inside your home.

While it is a more precise 'art' to be able to successfully grow food plants in small spaces, it can be done, and anyone can learn to do it.

Why grow in small spaces?

Small space eco gardening can be fun and productive while providing fresh, home grown organic food for your family.

How to establish a small space eco garden

The main issues to consider in small space eco gardening are:

- Light availability;
- Heat requirements;
- Protection of plants;
- Vertical and horizontal space availability;
- Moisture and air relationships;
- Establishing vegetables in containers;
- Soil quality;
- Feeding your plants;
- Deterring unwanted visitors.

By carefully observing your small space, identifying microclimates and areas of more or less sunlight, planning your layout and planting an appropriate selection of plants, you will be amazed at what you can grow.

Small space eco gardening facts

- The amount of direct light will be one of the biggest factors to consider when planning and establishing your eco garden in a small space.
- Don't forget that you often have as much vertical space as horizontal space.
- The 'art' of ecological gardening, whether in a small or large space, is about achieving and maintaining the balance between air and water in ways appropriate to your own local ecosystems.

*To learn more about small space eco gardening come along to one of Kimbriki Eco House and Garden's **Small Space Eco Gardening** workshops.*

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