

Gardening Supply Checklist



Seed and plant shortages became a wake up call at the outset of the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic. Nurseries and seed companies were quickly overwhelmed with orders. Plant and seed supplies rapidly dwindled both online and locally, with many companies



backlogged for weeks or shut down altogether. Countless varieties were listed as out-of-stock. Grocery store staple item shelves were empty for weeks, and even produce shelves were periodically empty. This shows the importance of preparation in an unstable world. The ability to feed our families and communities hinges on preparation when society gets stressed. Gardening is one of the best means to reduce our dependence on an unstable world, and even a soil-filled wine barrel on



your third story balcony can produce 10 pounds of food in a month! Every bit helps!

The following list is a guide to help you procure the gardening supplies you need to produce your own food. Not all of the items listed may be required or desired for your gardening program, but most are recommended for long-term survival if our economy crashes or society remains destabilized. Experience will dictate which items are useful to you. We've found these items essential in our particular environment. In an urban environment you may not require rodent traps or deer fencing. If your garden space is small, a pitchfork and mulch may be unnecessary. If you're not into plant propagation, you won't need clippers and root tone. This list is somewhat comprehensive and geared for the serious gardener or anyone who wants to be prepared for tougher times. Cross out any items you don't need, and check off the "stocked" box as you procure items you want. It is amazing how much food you can produce in a small space!

Be sure to purchase or order supplies well before you need them to avoid empty shelves or the dreaded "notify me when item is in stock" button on your favorite online catalog.

Tools



Various bucket sizes.



Tub and soil screens.



Various shovel sizes and hula hoe.



Propagation supplies.



Gardening Supplies					
Stocked	<i>Core Item</i>	Stocked	<i>Core Item</i>	Stocked	<i>Core Item</i>
	Large shovel		Seed		Traps: gopher, mole, rat
	Medium shovel		Sealed seed container		Gopher wire
	Trowel		Labels		Deer fencing
	Rake		Indelible pen		Fence posts
	Hula hoe		Soil amendments		Greenhouse
	Pitchfork		Fertilizers		Mulch
	Soil screen (1/2-inch)		Scale		Propagation Supplies
	Tub for mixing soil		Pitcher		Hand saw
	Large buckets		Measuring cups/spoons		Pruning shears (loppers)
	Small buckets		Storage containers		Hand clippers
	Watering can		Pots/plant containers		Root tone (hormone)
	Hose		Potting soil or ingredients		Plant trays
	Spray nozzle		Black plastic mulch		Rooting soil media
	Sprinkler		Clear plastic cover		Grafting knife
	Soaker hose/dripline		Floating row cover/hoops		Grafting tape
	Water storage tank		Shade cloth		Tree seal