

BE CRAFTY!



Grow a miniature garden in six simple steps.



YOU WILL NEED

- Fishbowl or glass jar of any size
- Small stones
- Horticultural charcoal
- Potting soil
- Plants of your choice (see ideas at bottom)
- Scissors
- Water
- Decorative rocks and figurines

HERE'S HOW



1. Wash the glass container in hot, soapy water. Rinse and dry completely.
2. Create a one-inch layer of stones on the bottom of the jar.
3. Add a half-inch layer of charcoal.
4. Spoon in a two- to three-inch layer of potting soil. (Pile soil higher on one side to make plants visible from a side view.) Dig small holes for the roots.
5. Take plants out of their pots, remove extra soil from the roots, and trim damaged leaves. While the roots are still moist, place the plants in the holes and pat soil over the roots. Place taller plants in the back. Dampen the soil. Do not overwater.
6. Decorate with pretty rocks, animal figurines, or a garden gnome. Place in indirect sunlight. Add water when your terrarium gets dry.

TIPS

- Pick the Right Plants. Almost any houseplant will grow inside a terrarium. For best results, use plants that need about the same amount of water and sunlight, such as:

Moss and lichens	Miniature orchids	Baby tears
Begonias	Miniature ferns	Hepaticas
Spider plants	Wintergreens	Gloxinias
Small palms	African violets	Coleuses

- If your terrarium has a small opening, use chopsticks to position your plants.
- Prune fast-growing plants so they don't outgrow the terrarium.