

container gardening with italian parsley cheat sheet



plan

- Plant: Italian Flat Leaf Parsley (slight peppery and citrusy taste) It is cool weather tolerant, and can survive the cooler temps of early spring
- Space & Light: Place your plant in Full sun / partial shade
- Container: Get a medium container (20 qt/18 liters) with drainage holes at the bottom (min depth min 8 in/20cm)
- Soil: Choose a nutrient-rich, well-draining mix for container gardening
- Fertilizer: we want good foliage (leaves) so get an organic liquid fertilizer
- Watering Can: Get a 3 gal/11 liter for containers

plant

- Fill the container with soil (right below the rim of the container)
- Dig hole deep enough to cover the entire root ball
- Gently remove plant from the pot
- Use both hands to place the plant in the soil
- Use one hand to hold the plant in place, other hand to cover the entire root ball with soil
- Water gently and evenly after planting



grow

- Water: Before watering, touch the soil to be sure it's not moist.
- You don't want to overwater. Water regularly when needed.
- Fertilize: For the first few weeks, apply an organic fertilizer every week, then every 2 weeks

care

- Low maintenance herb
- Good Pests (swallowtail butterfly larvae: colorful yellowish-greenish caterpillars) will munch a little and move on
- Leave them alone to nibble (although you may be tempted to pluck them off)
- Good news, they smell bad to predators which helps deter predators from your containers
- They'll fly away with their beautiful black wings and a dab of yellow and blue



harvest

- 40-60 days from plants
- Snip the oldest leaves first; 2-3 leaves for tonight's dinner
- Grows 12-18 in or 30-45 cm)

