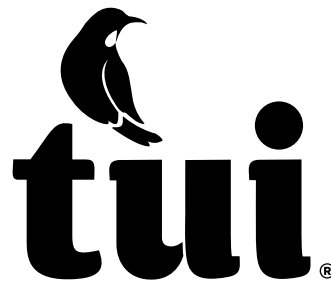


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HELLO SUMMER!

As we head into summer the rewards of your spring planting will be coming to life with an abundance of delicious vegetable and fruit harvests to enjoy with friends and family. There's still plenty to keep you busy too, whether it's feeding your crops, growing successful citrus or planting for continuous homegrown tomatoes.



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Follow our Tui Grow Guide on how to grow successful citrus.

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It's a great time of year to plant tomatoes for summer harvests.

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Get great results with our brand new range of 100% natural products.

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Explore Melika's garden on her home vineyard in Kerikeri.

Share your pride of place and win

Summer is a busy planting time and we'd love to see what you're growing. Share your summer garden snaps on our **Facebook** facebook.com/TuiGarden or on **Instagram** with #myprideofplace. Tag @tuigardenandhome to be featured too. Two #myprideofplace winners will each win a Tui Performance Naturals starter pack. Entries close 22 February 2020.



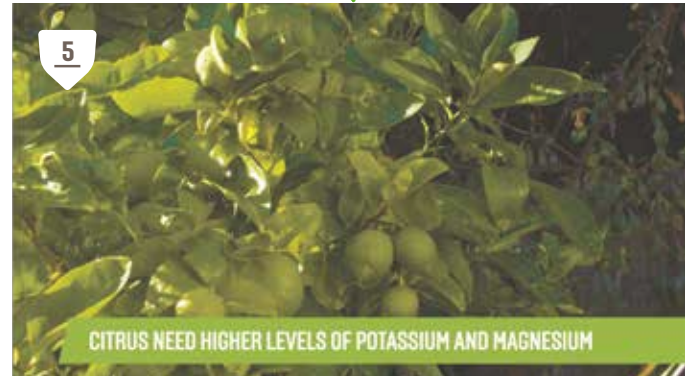
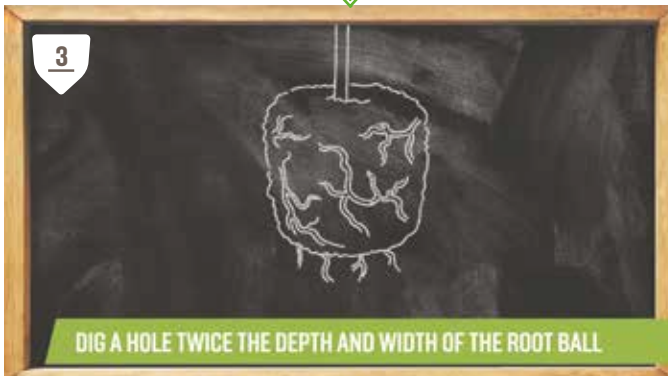
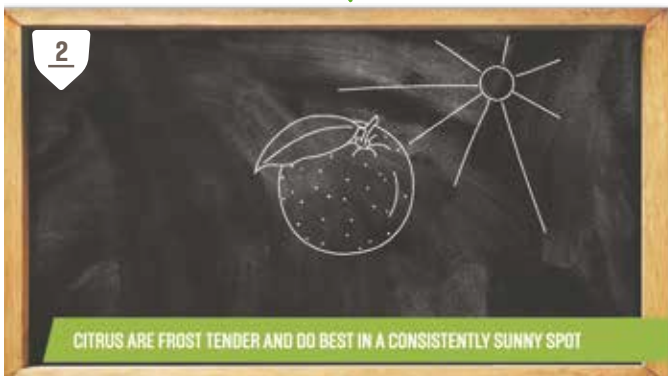
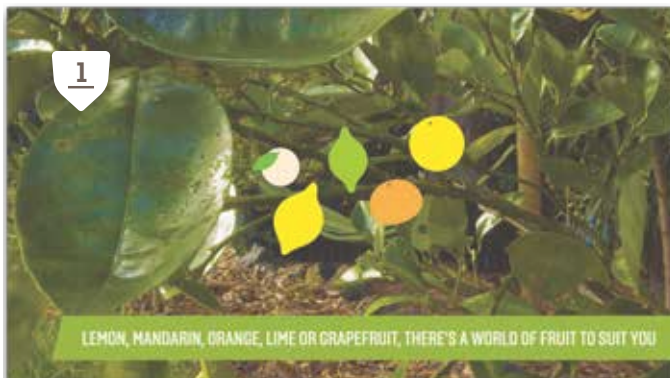


HOW TO GROW SUCCESSFUL CITRUS



Trees laden with juicy fruit are a quintessentially Kiwi addition to many home gardens. Whether it be lemon, mandarin, orange, lime or grapefruit, there's a world of fruit to suit you. Let's take a look at how to grow successful citrus.

- 1 Choose a variety of citrus that suits your garden, taste and cooking preferences.
- 2 Citrus are frost tender and will do better sheltered from the wind and in a consistently sunny spot.
- 3 Before planting clear any weeds and grass. If planting in the garden, dig a hole twice the depth and width of the root ball of your plant.
- 4 Dig in **Tui Compost** and **Tui Citrus & Fruit Mix** to the hole. They contain the right nutrients for flower and fruit development.
- 5 Citrus plants thrive when fed as they need higher levels of potassium and magnesium. Feed with **Tui Performance Naturals Citrus & Fruit Fertiliser**.
- 6 Mulch around your tree with **Tui Mulch & Feed** to stop weeds and condition your soil. Water your tree well, especially over summer.



Watch this Tui Grow Guide video and discover more tips for successful citrus at tuiproducts.co.nz

SUMMER GARDEN GUIDE

Summer is an exciting time in the garden as you reap the rewards of your spring planting efforts with a variety of summer crops ready to harvest and enjoy. Check out our top tips for your favourite crops to make the most of summer's bounty.

SUMMER VEGES

Beetroot, broccoli, cabbage, capsicums, carrots, celery, chillies, courgettes, cucumbers, garlic, leeks, lettuce, mesclun, onions, peas, potatoes, silverbeet, spring onions, sweetcorn and tomatoes will all be ready to harvest.

- Harvest your veges regularly, this helps promote more growth throughout the season.
- Leafy salad greens can be harvested a leaf at a time, rather than the whole plant – so you can pick as you need.
- Harvest garlic without delay in January – at this stage in summer the bulbs won't become fatter. Garlic is ready to harvest once the tops start to die back. Don't be tempted to pull the bulbs out by the leaves, dig up with a fork and leave to dry on the top of the ground for a week or so, then plait and store somewhere dry and away from direct sunlight. Keep a few good heads of your own garlic to use as the stock of next year's crop.
- As soon as potatoes have been dug, dry thoroughly and store in a cool, dark, well ventilated spot. Carefully stored potatoes should last for up to six months.

FLAVOURSOME FRUITS

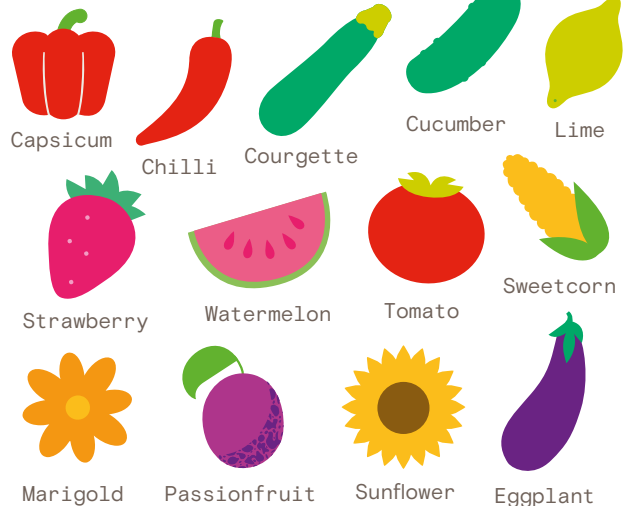
Apples, apricots, avocados, boysenberries, cherries, figs, grapefruit, lemons, mandarins, oranges, peaches, pears and plums will be ready to harvest.

- Pears and apples are best left to fully ripen on the trees, whereas stone fruit will continue to ripen if picked once the ripening process has begun on the tree. Once there is some 'give' in the fruit and it begins to soften it can be picked and laid in trays or boxes to ripen fully. To slow down the ripening process, store fruit in the fridge, but remember to bring it to room temperature before eating, it just tastes so much better!
- Strawberries – the more you pick the more they will grow – what a bonus!
- Pick fruit like plums, peaches, nectarines, apricots, pears and berries when the fruit is dry. If it is a little damp; allow the fruit to dry out fully before storing in the fridge or elsewhere. Moist fruit can cause mildew and rot.



Sustainably sourced seaweed for naturally healthy plant growth. Give plants an application of **Tui Organic Seaweed Plant Tonic** at least once a month to make them thrive and help them cope with the summer heat.

THERE'S STILL PLENTY OF SUMMER SUN LOVERS TO ADD TO YOUR PATCH NOW.





IT'S A GREAT TIME OF YEAR TO GROW TOMATOES

In sandwiches or salads, roasted or plucked straight from the vine – tomatoes take pride of place in every Kiwi's garden over the summer months, no matter how you choose to enjoy yours. Plant in your garden beds, pots and containers and you'll be harvesting a bumper crop of homegrown tomatoes this summer!

01

PREPARE

Once the cold weather has passed, and the soil has warmed up it's time to plant tomatoes.

Once you have selected your plants, choose a sunny position for planting. It's best practice not to plant your tomatoes in the same spot as last season as diseases can remain in the soil.

Dig in organic matter like **Tui Organic Sheep Pellets** and **Tui Compost** to your soil. Then you can add a layer of **Tui Tomato Mix**, specifically formulated with extra potassium to encourage a plentiful harvest of big juicy fruit.

02

PLANT

- Place stakes in the soil for each tomato plant before planting to provide support and avoid damaging the roots later on.
- Soak plants in a bucket of **Tui Organic Seaweed Plant Tonic** and allow to drain. This will help prevent transplant shock.
- Dig a hole, approximately twice the size of the root ball of your plant.
- Gently loosen the root ball of your plant.
- Position the plant in the centre of hole.
- Press soil gently around the base of the plant.
- Tie the tomato plant to the stake.
- Water tomato plants well after planting.

03

NOURISH

Feed your tomatoes and they will feed you. Plants use nutrients from the soil as they grow, so replenishing the nutrients used by your tomatoes ensures they will grow to their full potential. Use **Tui Performance Naturals Tomato & Vegetable Fertiliser** to promote optimum growth through its specialised triple action formula. Apply every six months, for best results apply in early spring and late summer.

Keep your tomatoes well watered. To reduce the chance of blight, avoid watering plant foliage.

Tui Tomato Tip

As your tomatoes grow, remove the laterals to encourage bigger and better fruit. Laterals are the shoots that grow out from the side of the stem.

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FEEDING YOUR PLANTS

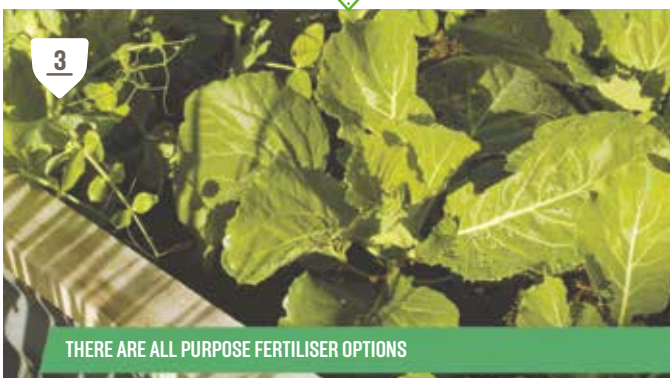


Plants need nutrients from the soil to grow, and just like us, need to be fed to stay happy and healthy. Discover plant feeding tips including when and how to feed your plants.

- 1 The best time to feed your plants is when they are actively growing. This is generally spring, summer & autumn.
- 2 The type of fertiliser you use depends on the plant you're feeding. Plants require 3 main nutrients. **N** (Nitrogen) **P** (Phosphorus) **K** (Potassium).
- 3 If you've got a range of things growing, an all purpose fertiliser is a good option like **Tui Performance Naturals All Purpose Fertiliser**, **Tui General Fertiliser** and **Tui NoveTec Premium**.
- 4 The **Tui Food Range** is formulated with the perfect blend of nutrients for the plant you're growing and feeds for 4 weeks – great for feeding a specific type of plant.
- 5 If you want something that feeds for longer, choose from the **Tui Enrich Range**. Perfect for edibles in both pots and garden beds, and feeds for up to 6 months.
- 6 Liquid **Tui Seaweed & Fish** can be added to your watering can and offers powerful results for your edibles. Reapply every 2 weeks.

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GET GREAT RESULTS WITH 100% NATURAL PRODUCTS

Tui Performance Naturals is a new break through range of 100% natural products. Performance Naturals give you all the power of synthetics with a performance that's 100% natural. The range has everything you need for your garden; growing media, pelletised fertilisers and liquid fertilisers.

The packaging from our Tui Performance Naturals range is made from recycled plastic. The bags (clean and dry) are recyclable through the soft plastics scheme, and the bottles are recyclable through regular curbside recycling.



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Slow release feeding coupled with fast action feeding.

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The range is designed to give outstanding results without adding anything un-natural to your environment. Good stuff!

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MY PRIDE OF PLACE: OUR VINEYARD GARDEN

BY MELIKA STEPHENS

Location: Kerikeri

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I'm Melika from [@our.vineyard.garden](#), and I've recently discovered a love for gardening.

We built our garden last year on our home vineyard in Kerikeri. It began as only a couple of raised beds but it's now 170 square metres and is surrounded by fruit and olive trees. It's definitely my happy place. I began gardening because I wanted a little escape from the business of mum life, but it's fast become my favourite place to be with my kids. They love getting stuck in, and I love that they're learning where their food comes from.

My approach is definitely one of trial and error. I've learnt a lot over the past year from just giving it a go, seeing what I like growing, what grows well in our region, and of course, what we like eating. I've had a lot of 'gardening fails' but from those have come my biggest learnings.

Our garden is a mix of different growing spaces. For raised beds we've used old wooden picking bins from a kiwifruit orchard, plus a couple we made from trees milled on the property. We also have a large garden bed lined with old vineyard posts. We fenced the garden using concrete reinforcing mesh to maximise our growing space. It makes a great climbing frame and this summer we'll be growing beans, cucumbers and squashes along it. I think the best feature of our garden has to be the sandpit! My kids love it and it gives me extra gardening time.

We have a short, mild winter, and a long summer, which is why we're often called the winterless north. Our last summer was very dry, so we recycled household water to use on the garden. We also used a lot of Tui Organic Seaweed Plant Tonic to help plants cope with heat stress, and mulched to help retain water. Our soil is quite volcanic and gravelly, which means we've had to add a lot of organic matter like compost and manure.

My favourite thing about our garden is the variety. We have a real mix of things growing everywhere, and I love that the garden is a fun place for our kids to explore and forage in. This year we're growing asparagus peas, something I'd never heard of but they sounded interesting. It's been really fun watching them grow.

My favourite season has to be summer because that's when we can grow some of our favourite things like berries and tomatoes. Our boy loves hunting for red strawberries, and soon he'll be able to find raspberries, blueberries and boysenberries too. I especially loved growing zucchinis last summer, one plant produces so many, and they go from a flower to a zucchini in a matter of days. Blink and they'll become a marrow! They're also so versatile; we eat them raw, grilled, on the BBQ, in chutneys, and we even use them in baking.

One thing I have to have in our garden is herbs! There's always a herb to grow year round, they're so much cheaper and fresher than those in the supermarket, and we use them in most meals. There's something so satisfying about being able to run into the garden and pick a handful of basil in summer!



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TOP TIPS WITH CANDY AND LAURA

6 QUICK STRAWBERRY PATCH TIPS WITH CANDY @NZGARDENER

Refresh your strawberry patch for summer! We've teamed up with Candy to share 6 quick tips for successful strawberries.

- 1 Snip back all the dead, diseased and dying leaves.
- 2 Cut off any runners to plant out later.
- 3 Time for a side dressing of **Tui Strawberry Food**.
- 4 If your strawberries are in pots, use a slow release fertiliser like **Tui NovaTec Premium**.
- 5 Mulch around your strawberries to conserve soil moisture and keep fruit off the ground.
- 6 Apply **Tui Organic Seaweed Plant Tonic** to give your strawberries an extra boost.



HOW TO TRANSPLANT SEEDLINGS WITH LAURA @THEKIWICOUNTRYGIRL

If you're succession planting over the growing season to ensure continuous planting you may have seedlings ready to transplant this summer. Learn how to successfully transplant seedlings with Laura.

- 1 Prepare your soil with with organic matter like **Tui Compost**.
- 2 Transplant seedlings in the morning or evening when it's not too hot.
- 3 Soak seedlings in **Tui Organic Seaweed Plant Tonic** to reduce transplant shock.
- 4 Dig your hole twice the size of the roots of your plant.
- 5 If your plant needs staking, insert the stake into the ground before planting.
- 6 Gently take your seedling from the punnet and place in the hole.
- 7 Firm the mix around the seedling, give them some water and you're good to go!



FOLLOW OUR GARDEN JOURNEY!

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#MYPRIDEOFPLACE



We're loving seeing the lush green lawns and flourishing veggie gardens that take pride of place in your garden. Here are a few of our favourite snaps shared over spring.



Andrew

We like picnics on the front lawn all summer long! – **Andrew**



Diana

Here's a pic of one of my garlic beds growing some great looking garlic – **Diana**



Lieke

My 'salad box' looking lush after all the rain – **Lieke**



Kate

Bought out first house 9 weeks ago. First on the list to do was the veggie garden! Can't wait to see it in 9 weeks time – **Kate**



Beau

Thanks to Tui Organic Seaweed Plant Tonic the lettuce, cauliflower, brussels and silverbeet are growing well! – **Beau**



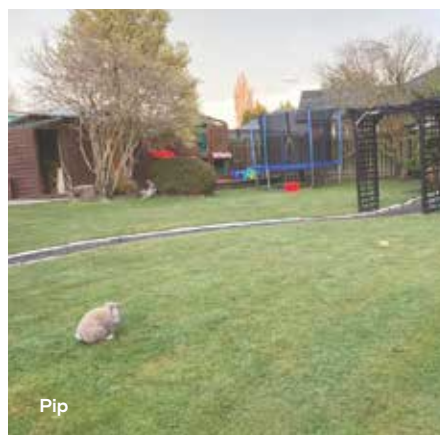
Kate

Ice blocks in the sun while mum and dad fix up the veggie garden for spring – **Kate**



Annabel

We spend all summer picnicking and playing under the sprinkler! – **Annabel**



Pip

I'm obsessed with my new backyard! We spend every spare minute in it. Can't wait to relax on it this summer after all the hard work – **Pip**



Louise

The front box is the old three sisters technique which my sister-in-law told me about, corn, beans and squash/pumpkin. The other beds are lettuce, tomato, broccoli, and a herb garden – **Louise**



TE WIKI O TE REO MĀORI – MAORI LANGUAGE WEEK

In September we celebrated Māori Language Week and it was a great opportunity to incorporate te reo Māori in the garden. Below are some of the garden phrases we learned, along with the Māori names of spring crops! Give them a go this summer when you're in the garden.

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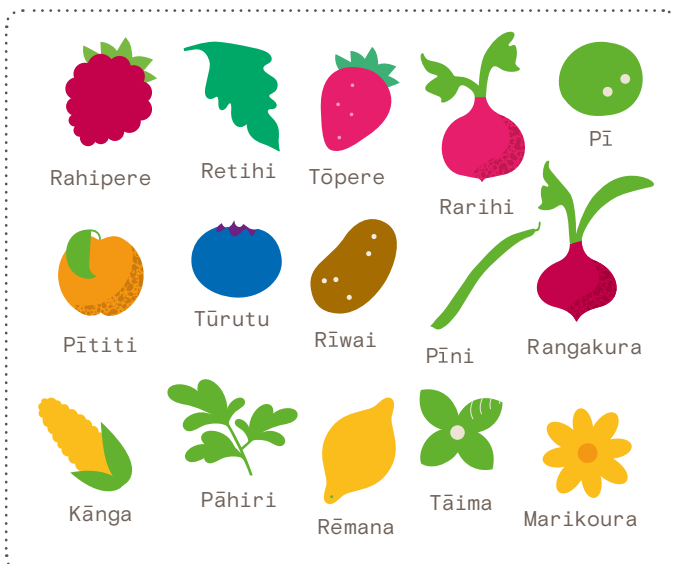
- It's a great time of year to be in the garden

Whakatō i ngā hua kia whakamāneatia ngā pī

- Plant spring blooms to attract the bees

He wā pai ki te whangai ngā huarakau

- It's a good time to feed citrus trees



SPRING PRODUCT PICKS

A new growing season has arrived and that means exciting new products to keep your garden healthy and refreshed. Discover our product picks for summer.



Tui Seaweed & Fish Fertiliser 1L + 25% Extra

Supercharge your plant growth with a powerful blend of seaweed and fish. Tui Seaweed & Fish Fertiliser has 25% extra FREE for summer to encourage healthy plant growth, fruit and flower production and condition your soil.



Tui Wild Bird Feeder & Seed

The Tui Wild Bird Feeder & Seed is a ready to use bird feeder filled with Tui Wild Bird Seed Mix, a nutritious blend of seeds designed to attract a wide variety of birds to your garden. Once the seed is finished, simply refill with Tui Wild Bird Seed Mix and return to your garden.

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