

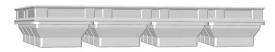
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Assembly Instructions

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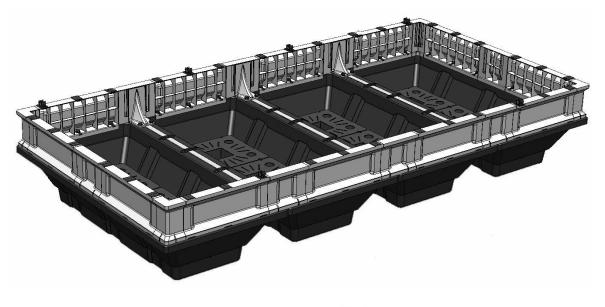
Large 2m x 1m

Component Checklist

	Base Container	4
	Side Panel - Lip	12
	Side Joiner - Lip	2
	Side Joiner – No Lip	6
	Corner Connector - Lip	4
T	Drain Tray	12
	Rubber Joining Strip	3
	Support Brace	6
T	Joining Clip	12
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	Cable Ties	24

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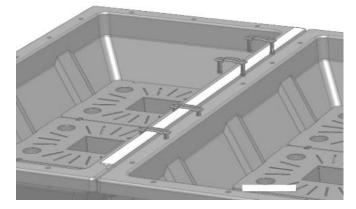


Finished product

- 1. Line up base containers side by side.
- Join Drain Trays together Lay 3 drain trays face down on level ground and tie together by inserting small cable ties through the 3 aligned holes in sides of trays and pulling tight. Place tied trays in the bottom of container gardens with the flat side up.
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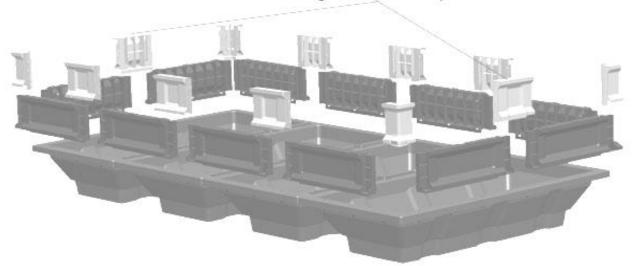
3. Place Rubber Joining Strips between each container and push only 4 Joining Clips into holes so they bridge the rubber strip.

****IMPORTANT** – leave end clips out, just put 4 clips in middle 4 holes.



*** Important leave both end sets of holes vacant – only put 4 clips bridging 4 centre sets of holes

joiner with lip



4. Create a perimeter with all of the panels by sliding them together. The joiners with lips go on opposite 2 ends. The joiners with flat bottoms are used to span the joins of the base containers.

Slide and click panels together.

There is a small RELEASE CLIP if you need to disassemble.

Lift onto 4 joined base containers and ensure top rim is seated with lip on inside of containers.

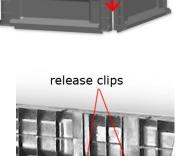
- 5. Clip Support Braces into all of the Side Joiners with no lips. Lever the tops of the support braces so the 2 notches in the joiner panel slide into support brace and then swing the bottom down till it clips in. The holes should line up with those on the base containers.
- 6. Push **short** bolts into all of the holes that join the top rim panels to the base containers. Push the **long** bolts through the support brace holes

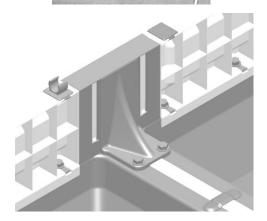
****** Lift rim slightly so bolts drop through easily.

*** IMPORTANT ***

ENSURE ALL BOLTS ARE INSERTED BEFORE WING-NUTS ARE PUT ON.

7. Tighten wing nuts





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Positioning

Sun, sun and more sun is what you are after. The Vegecover will protect your plants from severely hot days so make sure they have more than enough heat and light to promote rapid growth. Position it before filling with soil as it will be too heavy to move.

Filling

The Large Vegepod ($2m \times 1m$) requires 18 bags of potting mix to fill. It is important to use a quality mix – stay clear of the cheap mixes under \$5.

A good quality potting mix is all you really require. To achieve better results we recommend a mix of:

- 10 bags(25 litre)of standard potting mix
- 4 bags(25 litre)of cow manure

Optional - 1 bag (100 litre) of perlite or vermiculite (substitute for 4 bags of potting mix.)

**** (if you cannot find perlite it is not essential)

Place a layer of perlite on top of the trays(approx 20mm) filling the wicking wells.

Pour 4 bags of potting mix -1 into each bay of the vegepod base containers, add 2 bags of cow manure and $\frac{1}{4}$ bag of the perlite and mix together. Repeat this. Top off with last 2 bags of potting mix and rest of perlite. Mix in.

Perlite is available from some nurseries, hardwares or hydroponic shops. It helps lighten the soil and also retains moisture. If you cannot locate perlite it is quite OK to use 4 bags of potting mix as a substitute.

Planting

You can fit approx. 6 to 10 punnets of seedlings into the large Vegepod. Place the taller growing plants furthest away from the sun. Leave space around edges as closing the lid when your plants are established can be difficult.

Or you can plant seeds - just scatter and thin out when they shoot up.

Watering

The biggest problem we have discovered is over-watering which inhibits growth. The Vegepod has superior water management capabilities and makes excellent use of every drop.

The Vegecovers let some rain in, breaking it into a fine mist so keep in mind when watering. A good downpour will fill the reservoirs or leaving the watering system on for half an hour will also. Once full the reservoir will leak excess water out of the small overflow hole.

1st week – water your seedlings with the mist-spray system daily for the first 7 days (5 – 10 minutes a time depending on season).

2nd week – reduce watering dependant on weather. If you have maximum sun (8 hours or more) then water on hot days for a few minutes at a time. If you have minimum sun (4 hours or less of direct sunlight) then water only on very hot days. Or twice a week for a few minutes.

3rd week and beyond – only water on hot days. The plants are now getting most of their required moisture from the reservoir.

- > It is possible to leave your plants for up to 2 weeks without watering if they are established
- > It is also possible to attach a 24 hour timer to your tap remember don't over-water!