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Caja Setup Instructions and Planting Guide



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Plant Spacing

Plant your Caja according to the prescribed spacing for optimal yields and plant growth. Spacing is determined primarily by mature plant size and nutrient requirements. Overcrowding can lead to lower yields and increased risk of pests/disease. We recommend growing one type of plant per Caja (i.e. one box just of tomatoes, one box just of peppers) for best results.

Single Row Spacing



2 per row

Tomatoes, Eggplant, Artichoke, Melons, Squash, Chickpeas



4 per row Cucumbers

Double Row Spacing



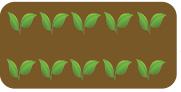
3 per row

Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Chard, Herbs, Collards, Kale, Peppers, Strawberries



4 per row

Beans, Flowers, Leeks, Kohlrabi, Okra, Lettuce, Salad Greens



5 per row

Beets, Onions, Spinach, Turnip, Garlic

Other Spacing



Across entire Caja (no cover)

Alfalfa, Cilantro, Green Onions, Watercress, Baby Greens



16 seedlings Carrots, Peas, Radish

Notes

Water through the watering tube until the 10L water reservoir is full. Stop when water flows out the overflow holes. When plants are young and when temperatures are not too hot, the reservoir will keep your plants watered for around 1 week. As plants grow larger and temperatures increase, adjust watering frequency according to plant needs. Do not let the reservoir run dry. You cannot over-water.

Reuse the soil for the next cropping cycle, adding in a new mulch cover and new fertilizer and dolomite to provide essential plant nutrients for subsequent plantings.

Replanting / Winterizing Tips

At the end of the growing season, remove the old plants and drain out excess water from the reservoir. Your Caja will be just fine if left to the elements, though putting it in a protected spot is encouraged. To replant, temporarily remove the top third of the soil onto a tarp or wheelbarrow, and continue from step 3 onwards. Add additional potting soil as needed to top up the box, mounding it 1-2 inches above the rim.

What You Need







Caja

Aeration Screen Watering Tube

Mulch Cover



Fertilizer and Dolomite Package Contains Organic Granular Slow-Release Fertilizer and Powdered Dolomite.



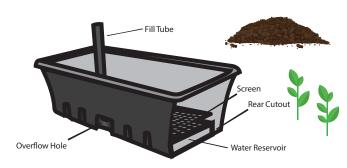
Potting Soil
The Caja Has a 57L Soil Capacity.



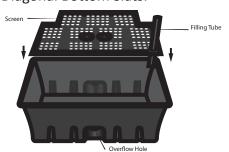
Seeds or Transplants
Refer to Spacing Guide for Quantities Required.

Setup Instructions

1. Gather Caja, Potting Soil, and Seeds/Transplants.



2. Insert Aeration Screen and Watering Tube. Ensure Watering Tube is Aligned in the Corner with the Diagonal Bottom Slats.



3. Fill Caja 50% with Potting Soil. Press Soil Into "Capillary Corners". This Ensures Proper Wicking of Water From the Reservoir Throughout the Box.



4. Sprinkle Dolomite and Fertilizer Evenly Over Soil Surface.

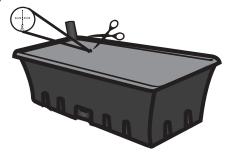


5. Lightly Water Soil to Moisten.

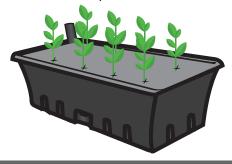
6. Fill Caja with Potting Soil to the top, Mounding it 1-2 Inches Above the Rim. Over Time, the Soil will Settle to Be Flush with Top Edge of the Caja.



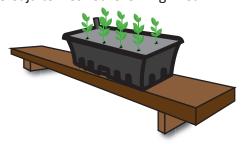
7. Secure Mulch Cover Over the Soil and Box. Cut an "X" or Hole According to Plant Selection. See Spacing Guide for Details.



8. Plant Seeds or Transplants.



9. Move Caja to Desired Growing Area.



10. Fill Up Water Reservoir. First Time Only, Gently Water Plants at Soil Level as it Takes About 24 Hours for Water from the Reservoir to Moisten the Entire Soil.

