



THANK YOU FOR YOUR PURCHASE

PLEASE READ IMMEDIATELY!

Please inspect your new plants upon arrival. Check that your entire order was received and that all the items ordered are correct. It is best to start caring for your plants the moment they arrive by following these planting instructions.

If you find your plants are damaged, missing or incorrect, please notify us within 24 hours of delivery by calling our **Customer Care Department at 866-766-3435**.

See Planting Guide on Reverse Side

The Pond Guy® Planting Recommendations



Thrive™ Plant Fertilizer Tabs Maximize Blooms & Beauty

CrystalClear® Thrive™ is designed to keep your aquatic plants vigorous and beautiful all season long. Simply use one easy-to-use tablet for every gallon of soil every 2-4 weeks during the growing season.

#CC017-30 • Thrive™, 30 count
#CC017-60 • Thrive™, 60 count
#CC017-200 • Thrive™, 200 count



Microbe-Lift® Planting Media

Pot with beneficial bacteria!

Pre-Colonized with Beneficial Bacteria. No fertilizer, compost, peat or pesticides. Will not break down, float or cloud pond water. Use when potting all aquatic plants. Safe for all fish and aquatic life.

#200101 • Planting Media, 10 lbs.
#200102 • Planting Media, 20 lbs.

Forgot to Order Planting Supplies? No Problem! Check Out Our Planting Kits. Order Today.

Water Lily & Lotus Planting Kits

These planting kits give you everything you need to plant hardy lilies or lotus. The large, deep, no-hole tubs provide the perfect space to allow water lilies and lotus to grow to their full potential. No re-potting required. These packages include one planting tub, planting media and Thrive™ fertilizer tabs.

Large Planting Kit Includes: 19.5" Dia. X 9.5" H Planting Tub, 20 lbs of planting media and 30 Thrive™ plant fertilizer tabs. Perfect for planting two water lilies or one water lotus.

#150091 • Large Planting Kit



Have Questions? Call Us Toll Free at 866-766-3435 or visit us online at www.thepondguy.com

How to Plant Floating Plants



Floating plants do not need to be planted. Simply toss plants onto the surface of the water or place inside waterfall filter unit for added filtration. Due to shipping, your plants may not float upright when placed into the pond. No work is needed on your part to support them. After a little time in the pond, your plants will stand back up on their own.

How to Plant Submerged Plants



Submerged plants may free-float throughout your water feature. If your water feature is equipped with a skimmer, you may want to wrap a weight around the base of the plant before tossing it in. This will prevent the skimmer from pulling the plant in, or you may choose to plant them just as you would a bog plant.

Trapdoor Snails

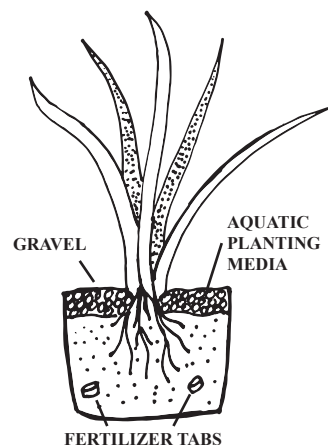


Get snails into the water promptly, preferably not in direct sunlight, as the snails need time to acclimate. The length of time needed will vary and could take up to a week depending on water temperatures. Occasionally, snails may float. This just means that there is air trapped in the shell. As long as the trapdoor is still in place, let them float and the air will work its way out.

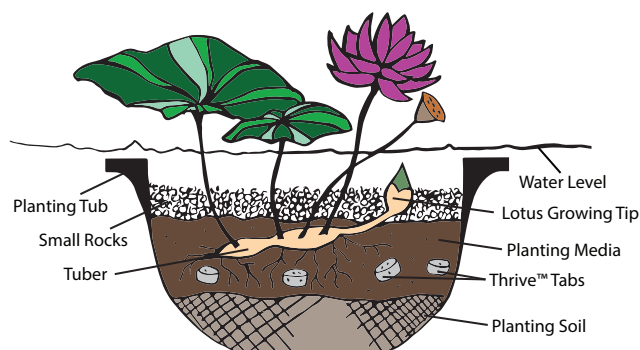
How to Plant Bog Plants



Fill a plant pot with aquatic planting media up to 2" inches below the top of the pot. If there is a net pot on the plant roots carefully remove it. Create a pocket a few inches deep in the planting media for your plant, and then cover the roots with planting media. You may choose to place a thin layer of gravel over the surface of the planting media to help keep it in place. Newly potted plants can be placed at shallow depths until they become established. If you prefer not to use a pot, bog plants may also be planted directly into the gravel in your pond.



How to Plant Lotus



When your lotus arrives, you will need to plant it in a larger container, 19" or larger, for maximum lotus growth and blooms.

Step 1: Add approximately 1" of garden soil to planting container.

Step 2: Add 3" to 4" of Aquatic Planting Media to planting container.

Step 3: Carefully remove the intact lotus root ball from the shipping container and place it gently into the center of the new container.

Step 4: Fill the remainder of the new container with Aquatic Planting Media, 4 Thrive fertilizer tabs and small rocks to ensure the root ball does not float.

Step 5: Slowly fill the pot with water as not to disturb the fresh soil and place in pond at a depth of 12" to 18". If planting outside the pond be sure to keep the container full of water at all times.

For Best Results: Plant your Lotus in full sun and add (4) Thrive fertilizer tabs every 2 to 4 weeks during the growing season.