

CURRANTS



- Currants are one of those plants that costs a fortune to buy in a supermarket, and they never taste as good as the ones you grow yourself. They are such easy plants to grow, and with a bit of care they will provide you with a fantastic harvest for years to come.
- They should be planted in a sunny position, in free-draining soil, and as with all fruit plants, will benefit from having some well-rotted manure dug into the planting hole at the point of planting.
- If you don't have space to plant them directly into the soil (around 3ft / 1m per plant) they can be grown in a large container (about the diameter of a dustbin and half the depth), but be warned, they will require more watering.
- Currant bushes will require a bit of pruning after a year or two, and for easy-to-follow advice, I would recommend you get a copy of Carol Klein's book 'Grow Your Own Fruit', a great book for new and experienced gardeners alike.