

Garden Supplies List

Must-Haves, Nice-to-Haves + What's Not Worth the Money

This printable goes along with my full garden supplies guide and is meant to help you keep track of what you actually need. Use it to check what you already have, what's worth upgrading, and what you can skip without guilt.

Must-Have Garden Supplies

These handle most gardening tasks.

- ☐ Shovel (right size for your height)
- ☐ Stirrup hoe
- ☐ Garden rake (metal tines)
- ☐ Leaf rake
- ☐ Wheelbarrow
- ☐ Garden hose
- ☐ Gloves
- ☐ Bucket
- ☐ Hand trowel
- ☐ Garden planner or notebook

You don't need everything on day one. Start here and add as your garden grows.

Nice-to-Have Garden Supplies

Helpful, but not required.

- ☐ Rototiller
- ☐ Drip irrigation system
- ☐ Wheel hoe
- ☐ Compost turner
- ☐ Greenhouse or season extension setup

Is this worth it for my garden?

Tools I Skip (and Why)

Expandable hoses →

Don't last. Kink, leak, and get replaced constantly.

Novelty gloves →

Uncomfortable and usually abandoned mid-season.

Multi-tool gimmicks →

Try to do everything. Do nothing well.

Ultra-specialized gadgets →

Take up space and rarely earn it.

Keeping Your Tools Working

- ☐ Rinse dirt off after use
- ☐ Dry tools before long-term storage
- ☐ Oil moving parts
- ☐ Sharpen edges once or twice a year
- ☐ Hang tools when possible

End-of-Season Check

- ☐ Clean tools before winter
- ☐ Repair handles or fittings
- ☐ Replace only what truly failed