

Garden Project: Make you own Mixed-plant Hanging Basket

For more information consult Growing Annuals in containers HORT 3081 from <https://store.extension.iastate.edu/>



Obtain a Basket. You can purchase new or use a basket from previous years can be reused if cleaned and rinsed in 10% bleach solution.



Fill basket with soil-less potting media. Allow room for plants, ending soil height should be within 1-2 inches of rim.



Add plants. Tallest plant (thriller) should be in center with medium height plants (filler) should be in area between center and edge. Overhanging plants (spiller) should be on edge. Choose plants needing same growing conditions and a variety of textures, colors and bloom styles. Alternative: Plant the basket with multiples of the same plant. If you are unsure of combinations, look at baskets ready for purchase for inspiration.



Add additional soil if needed. Water thoroughly. Add additional soil if needed. Hang in place, water often.

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