

Resurrection Garden

Materials:

- 1 pot water tray
- 1 small terracotta pot
- 1 small terracotta pot tray or medium sized rock
- 1 small bag of pebbles
- 1-2 small trays of violas (purple and gold)
- 2 pots of pearlwort
- Some extra potting mix (optional)
- 5 sticks
- Twine
- Scissors
- flameless tealight

Variations:

- Get more out of your resurrection garden with herbs! Upsize to a planter box and pick your favourite herbs to plant it out. Experiment with edible flowers like nasturtium or violets.
- Watch it grow. Instead of seedlings, plant out your garden with fast-growing seeds like wheatgrass and watch it grow over the Easter Season.
- Desert rock garden. For a more low-maintenance garden, go for the stunning array of succulents and cacti. Make sure you use a cactus-friendly potting mix. They look great when paired with interesting pebbles and rocks.

Method

1. Assemble your materials. Cover the work surface with newspaper if necessary.
2. Put down an initial layer of soil about 1 cm thick. Adjust according to the depth of your tray. We had enough soil between the pots, but some extra potting mix may be necessary.
3. Arrange your tomb in position. It looks great slightly off-center and tilted slightly up.
4. Take the pearlwort and carefully break it into smaller pieces. The roots will retain a layer of soil, it is just a matter of laying it on top of the pot and filling in the gaps around it.
5. Plant your violas in a clump next to the 'tomb'.
6. Take your sticks and break them into 3 long pieces of about 25 cm and 3 short pieces about 10 cm.
7. Using the twine, tie 1 short piece to one long piece in a cross shape.
8. once you are satisfied with the arrangement of the plants, give them a quick water.
9. Arrange the pebbles so that they cover the hole in the back of the 'tomb' and come out to the edge of the tray like a path.
10. Stick the three crosses on top of the 'hill' above the 'tomb'.
11. Place the tealight inside the tomb and the medium rock or small pot tray over entrance to the 'tomb'
12. On Easter Sunday, open the tomb and light the tealight. Alleluia! Christ is Risen!



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