



LBS – Vegetables: Planting Potatoes

| SUBJECT | TEACHER | CREDITS | DATE |
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| Land Based Studies | Angela Farmer/ Jacqui Stone | 1 | Online/flexible |

OVERVIEW

Be able to assist with carrying out planting

PHASES

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| OBJECTIVES | 1.5 Carry out planting as instructed 1.6 Position the plants at the correct spacing, depth and orientation according to instructions 2.2 Provide support, shelter or mulching as necessary and carry out plant labelling as instructed 2.3 Provide the plants with necessary moisture | |
| INFORMATION | Carrying out planting: reasons for planting at the correct depth or to the nursery line if plants have previously been lifted; correct firming in of the medium to ensure root contact with the new growing position; correct spacing of plants if mass planting is taking place Providing plants with Support, Shelter and Water | Video – YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zoII-Z_GgKI and https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8v6CioXwV8Y |
| VERIFICATION | Land Based Studies Course – Assist with Planting and Establishing Plants Unit reference number: F/502/4088 | |

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| <p>ACTIVITY</p> | <p>To plant up seed potatoes in a row, or potato bag or other vessel and learn the basics of "earthing up, and must be watered in well. Protect and support as necessary</p> | <p>See You tube video for instructions</p> <p>To take a photo or video if possible of the activity and email/what's app/text through to info@abbertonruraltraining.org or through to your tutor to gain credit</p> |
| <p>SUMMARY</p> | <p>Planting New Potatoes . . .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rest the potatoes for a while in the dry to allow the eyes to sprout • Six inch deep trench with fertilizer on the bottom • Plant with eyes at the top • Rub off any extra eyes to prevent too many sprouts competing with each other • Plant roughly 12 inches apart • Finally pull back the soil to form a mound over your new potatoes | <p>New Potatoes – at home</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This is a similar process to the 'Farmer's Bite Size' approach but better suited for home • If you don't have a garden or spare space, you can use a potato bag or any tough bag or bucket with holes in the bottom • You can also use any new potatoes in your kitchen that have started to sprout • Rub off any extra eyes to prevent too many sprouts competing with each other <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put an inch or so of compost in the bottom of the bag • Plant the potatoes with the eyes upwards, with just four or five per bag • Cover over with soil and water in • No need to add in more potatoes just earth up as the plants grow (cover over with soil) • Water regularly but allow to drain |