



THANK YOU FOR YOUR PURCHASE

PLEASE READ IMMEDIATELY!

Please inspect your new plants upon arrival. Check that your entire order was received and that all the items ordered are correct. It is best to start caring for your plants the moment they arrive by following these planting instructions.

The first thing that you want to do is to keep the plants wet and out of the sunlight. Float the plants in the pond or put them in trays of pond water in the shade.

If you find your plants are damaged, missing or incorrect, please notify us within 24 hours of delivery by calling our **Customer Care Department at 866-766-3435**.

REMEMBER: Upon arrival, plants may appear lackluster and dormant. This is normal. For the purpose of shipping, mail order plants generally come in one of three ways: as a bare root (only root and little or no foliage), as a bunch (several stems or grouping of the plant), or as a net pot (roots with some foliage). Please note that all plants are shipped alive and with a strong root base. Live items have a 14-day guarantee. See www.thepondguy.com/shipping for more information.

See Planting Guide on Reverse Side



Thrive™ Plant Fertilizer Tabs Maximize Blooms & Beauty

CrystalClear® Thrive delivers essential nutrients to keep your aquatic plants vigorous and beautiful all season. Use one tablet for every gallon of soil every two to four weeks during the growing season.

- #CC017-30 • Thrive, 30 count
- #CC017-60 • Thrive, 60 count
- #CC017-200 • Thrive, 200 count



thePondGuy Aquatic Planting Soil Ready-to-Use Premium Soil

All-natural, non-toxic, and safe for marine life and wildlife. Provides balanced nutrition for pond plants to thrive. This fine-grained soil is free of compost and peat moss and does not float or cloud pond water.

- #130276 • Aquatic Soil, 4 qt
- #130281 • Aquatic Soil, 8 qt
- #130282 • Aquatic Soil, 16 qt



thePondGuy Aquatic Planting Media Pre-Colonized With Beneficial Bacteria

All-natural, mineral-based planting media. No fertilizer, compost, peat or pesticides. Will not break down, float or cloud pond water. Use when potting all aquatic plants. Safe for fish and aquatic life.

- #130275 • Planting Media, 5 lb
- #130279 • Planting Media, 10 lb
- #130280 • Planting Media, 20 lb

Forgot to Order Planting Supplies? No Problem! Check Out Our Planting Kits. Order Today.



Water Lily & Lotus Planting Kits Everything You Need, No Re-Potting Needed

These planting kits give you everything you need to plant hardy lilies or lotus. The large, deep, no-hole tubs provide the perfect space to allow water lilies and lotus to grow to their full potential.

Small Planting Kit Includes: 5 gallon planting tub, 8 qt Aquatic Planting Soil, 5 lb Aquatic Planting Media, and a sample size of Thrive aquatic plant fertilizer (6 tablets). Perfect for planting one water lily.



Large Planting Kit Includes: 9 gallon planting tub, 16 qt Aquatic Planting Soil, 10 lb Aquatic Planting Media, and a sample size of Thrive aquatic plant fertilizer (6 tablets). Best for two water lilies or one lotus.

- #130277 • Small Planting Kit
- #130278 • Large Planting Kit



Bog Plant Planting Kits Complete Kit, Soft-Sided Planters

Ideal for adding colorful blooms and foliage to the edges of your pond. Coated to prevent deterioration, plant bags are made of a durable 1/16" mesh that keeps soil and media secure while allowing for proper water circulation and root development. Bags will not crack, even in freezing climates.

Small Bog Plant Planting Kit includes: Two 7" plant bags, 8 qt Aquatic Planting Soil, 5 lb Aquatic Planting Media, and a sample size of Thrive aquatic plant fertilizer (6 tablets). Best for one bog plant.



Large Bog Plant Planting Kit includes: Two 9.5" plant bags, 16 qt Aquatic Planting Soil, 10 lb Aquatic Planting Media, and a sample size of Thrive aquatic plant fertilizer (6 tablets). Best for two bog plants.

- 130283 • Small Bog Plant Planting Kit
- 130284 • Large Bog Plant Planting Kit

Have Questions? Call Us Toll Free at 866-766-3435 or visit us online at www.thepondguy.com

How to Plant Floating Plants



Floating plants do not need to be planted. Simply toss plants onto the surface of the water or place inside waterfall filter unit for added filtration. Due to shipping, your plants may not float upright when placed into the pond. No work is needed on your part to support them. After a little time in the pond, your plants will stand back up on their own.

How to Plant Submerged Plants



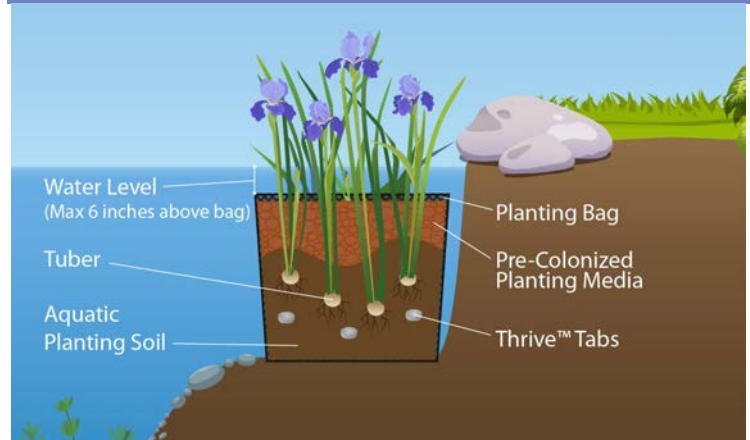
Submerged plants may free-float throughout your water feature. If your water feature is equipped with a skimmer, you may want to wrap a weight around the base of the plant before tossing it in. Adding weight will prevent plants from being pulled into the skimmer. You can also plant submerged plants in bags as you would bog plants.

How to Add Trapdoor Snails



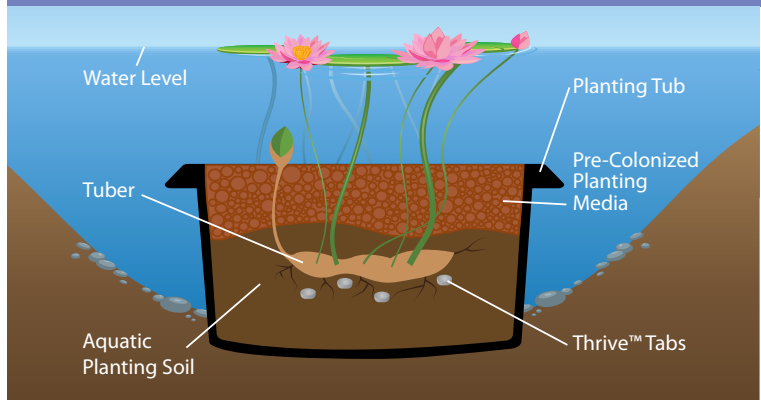
Get snails into the water promptly, preferably not in direct sunlight, as the snails need time to acclimate. The length of time needed will vary and could take up to a week, depending on water temperatures. Occasionally, snails may float. This just means that there is air trapped in the shell. As long as the trapdoor is still in place, let snails float and the air will work its way out.

How to Plant Bog Plants



1. Fill a planter 75% with The Pond Guy's Aquatic Planting Soil.
2. Create a pocket a few inches deep in the soil, deposit your plant, and add one Thrive fertilizer tab per gallon of soil.
3. Cover the plant base with a layer of The Pond Guy's Aquatic Planting Media to keep the soil in place and protected from foraging fish.
4. Soak the soil and media before placing plant bags in the pond. Dry media floats and can destabilize your plants. Add one or two Thrive fertilizer tablets every two to four weeks to support robust growth.

How to Plant Lilies & Lotus



1. Start with a thick layer of The Pond Guy's Aquatic Planting Soil, filling the pot about 75% full.
2. Deposit the water lily or lotus in the center of the soil horizontally, with the root end close to the wall of the pot and the growing tip pointed upward and exposed above the soil. Add one Thrive fertilizer tablet per gallon of soil for best results.
3. Fill the rest of the pot with The Pond Guy's Aquatic Planting Media to trap soil, protect roots, promote oxygenation, and support beneficial bacteria. If you don't have media, one to three inches of gravel may suffice.
4. Water thoroughly and submerge the entire pot in your pond, leaving three to six inches of water above the growing tip of the stem.
5. Once the leaves grow enough to reach the water's surface, move the pot to a deeper area of your pond.

For Best Results: Fertilize every two to four weeks by inserting one or two Thrive fertilizer tablets into the planting soil layer of your pot.