5 Easy Steps To Get Your AeroGarden Up and Growing

1. Insert Lamp Arm into Base
   Push Lamp Arm straight down until you hear a "click".

2. Install Grow Lights into Lamp Hood
   (If you have an LED Hood, skip this step)
   Push Grow Lights straight into socket inside Lamp Hood
   **DO NOT TWIST LIGHT!**

3. Place Lamp Hood onto Lamp Arm
   Push Lamp Hood firmly on to Lamp Arm.

4. Plug Lamp Cord into Lamp Hood
   Push Lamp Cord firmly into socket in Lamp Hood
   Do not connect lamp hood to any other power source.

5. Set Bowl onto Base
   Check to be sure that Bowl is securely seated on Air Coupling in Base.

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**CONGRATULATIONS!**
Your garden is ready to grow. It really is that easy!

For more details on planting, growing and harvesting your AeroGarden, please turn the page.
### Gardening Tips for Maximum Harvests

**PLANTING**
- Prune your plants, don’t plant your early. You will achieve more compact, better growth and better flavor if you prune the close-together plants in your garden.
- Fast growing plants like kale, garden plants will need to keep the light levels at least 8 hours.
- Crowns that are too close together and negligible growth will eventually cause your plants to grow past their capabilities.
- Early pruning is crucial. Each time you prune you get out fresh, tender, broccoli-making levels in a single bunch. Leave the plant alone and let it do its thing.
- Nutrients in the planting mix are essential. A nutrient rich soil mix will significantly improve your plants’ growth.

**GERMINATION**
- Some seeds germinate in less than 24 hours. Some take 24 days or more. Most growers give in temperature and give the seeds the proper amount of moisture and time to germinate.
- As a rule of thumb, if you are comfortable, so are your plants. However, plants are impacted by temperature. Cold waives, hot days, and quick changes in temperature can cause your plants to slow down.

**PRUNING**
- Prune your plants to keep them healthy. Prune them often and enjoy your beautiful small garden! There will be plenty to come.
- Final pruning — blocking. Each time you prune you get out fresh, tender, broccoli-making levels in a single bunch. Leave the plant alone and let it do its thing.
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**PLANTS**
- Plants grow in the Arden region are designed to thrive with compost and water. Your water, especially hard, improved results can be seen with distilled water or rainwater, but this is not needed in most cases.
- Do not use well water or softened water. Most well water contains a high amount of dissolved solids that upset the balance of your nutrients, and softened water affects plant growth. This can result in plants suddenly drooping, or just not growing well.
- While the Arden region can be a challenge for some, this can be achieved by regulating water properly — before the Arden region indicates external factors.

**LIGHTS**
- Plants love light! Always keep your garden lights low as close to your plants as possible. This should be done for at least 12 hours.
- Keep away from your lights by lowering the lights down to within 2 inches of your plants.
- For best growth, we recommend replacing compact fluorescent. Generators provide a more even, consistent light that is essential for growing.
- You do not need to replace your LED lights until individual diodes start to fall. Biox has a 2-5 year lifespan.

**NUTRIENTS**
- Typically, your plants will need nutrients every 2 weeks.
- Follow instructions for feeding amounts listed in the Liquid Nutrient packaging.
- Drink directly from the water, not directly into your drinks.
- More aren’t better. The optimal recipe is the “Just a Little” recipe. Too much nutrients can hurt your plants.

### How to Personalize Your Light Timer (Optional)

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**6. Add Nutrients**
- Nutrients: instructions are printed on the packaging as well as in the Liquid Nutrient instructions booklet. Read and follow the instructions carefully.
- Liquid Nutrients: never add to your Arden Garden or any other plants. Only use the amount recommended in Liquid Nutrient, and add it directly to your garden prior to planting your Seed Pod Kit, and when the Arden Garden timer reaches 120 (every 2 weeks).
- Do not exceed “Just a Little” amounts. Too much nutrients may be harmful to your plants.

### Nutrient Feeding Tips:
- Always top off water levels when adding Liquid Nutrients. For best results, fill the water line in your garden regularly.

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1. **Power OFF**
2. **Press and hold the Light buttons for 3 seconds**
3. **Release both Light buttons**
   - Light timer will flash 3 times to confirm that the change has been made.

Note: Your Arden Garden timer as you seen above.

### An Important Note About Lights

**Warning:** Your Arden Garden is a health and safety device. Do not tamper with the lights. Turning the lights on and off may cause severe damage to your plants. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our customer service representatives.

### U.S. CAUTION

- To reduce the risk of electric shock, this product has a polarized plug (one blade is wider than the other). This plug will fit in a polarized outlet only one way. If the plug does not fit fully in the outlet, reverse the plug. If it still does not fit, contact a qualified electrician to install the proper outlet. Do not change the plug in any way.

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