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Create a green haven with tips from Cynthia Wong, founder of The Little Garden Workshop | 跟Cynthia Wong打造綠色天地



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Group plants according to the microclimate of your garden - its shading, wind intensity and sunshine levels throughout the day

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Ranunculus acris has a sweet fragrance that makes it a welcome addition to Hong Kong gardens

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Edible flowers are a colourful and tasty ingredient to fresh summer salads

Prince Edward Flower Market is best for beginners buying organic seeds and gardening tools. Several old shops in Yuen Long also sell seeds, fertilisers and farming tools - they are professional, knowledgeable and keep Hong Kong's old traditions alive. 太子花墟是初學者購買有機種子料園藝工具的理想地點。元朗對開老店亦有出售種子、肥料和農務用具——專業一羣讓這香港古舊傳統得以承傳。

Make the most of small gardens by growing vertically with hanging baskets or green hero walls, using light coloured plants for edging (making planter boundaries less obvious), dividing spaces carefully and using larger paving bricks to create the visual illusion of more space. 種植直立掛籃或綠色香草牆，善用小花園空間，並以淺色植物圍邊(模糊界線)，仔細劃分範圍，並以大鋪面磚打造更大空間感。

Most vegetables and herbs are seasonal and won't grow well in summer, but okra and soybeans are easy to grow and delicious. Some kinds of melon such as cucumbers, bitter melons and watermelons yield several harvests in summer - but beware, melon flies love them too! 大部分蔬菜和香草也屬季節性。夏天通常成長情況不太理想，但秋葵和大豆卻是例外。部分瓜類如青瓜、苦瓜和西瓜在夏天能有數次收成——當心！它們也是甜瓜蠅的摯愛。

When there is disease or pests in your plants, it's usually a case of the wrong plant in the wrong place. Nevertheless, fruit flies are very common here during the summer so to deter them, we use transparent cotton bags to cover the fruit after the flower is pollinated. 植物被害蟲侵襲多數因為在錯的地方種植錯的品種。果蠅在夏天極為常見。要將之制止，我們會在花粉獲傳播後、花兒快要掉下之時，用透明棉花袋覆好水果。

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