

BOOMbox at Home

Know When to Grow Zine



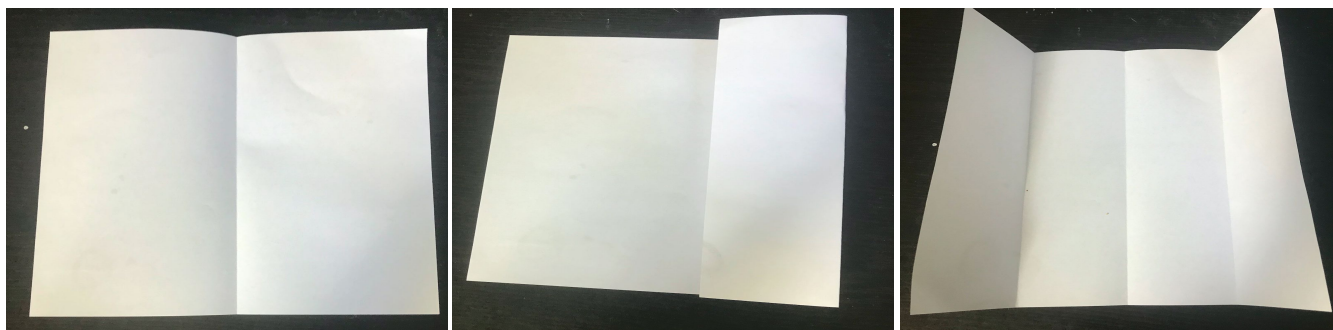
Getting started with gardening can be intimidating. Depending on the types of plants you'd like to grow, there may be a lot to learn about how to care for your plants. Keep growing instructions and your observations all in one place with this simple zine, made with only one sheet of paper.

Supplies

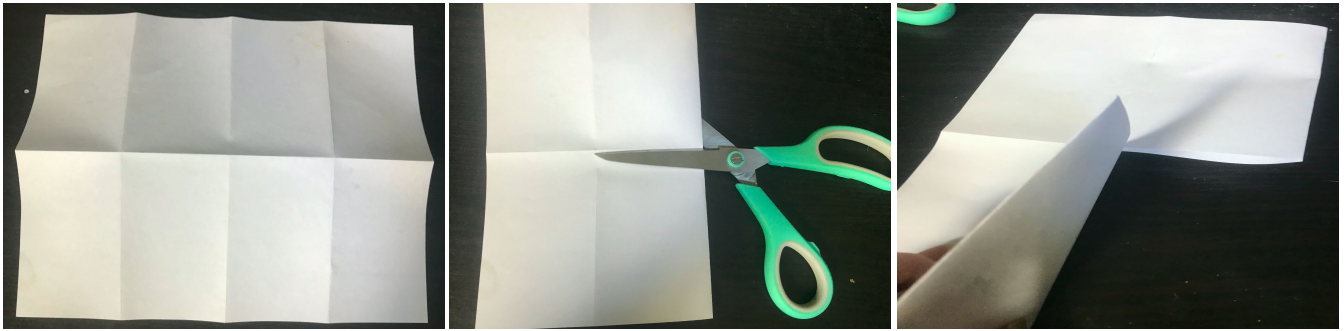
- One sheet of plain copy paper (8.5" x 11")
- Scissors
- Pencils, markers, crayons, or other art supplies to decorate your zine
- A source for the information you'd like to put in your zine

Instructions

- Start with your paper in landscape (horizontal) orientation. Fold the paper in half "hamburger style" by bringing the short edge to the short edge (left to right).
- Unfold. Make another fold by bringing the right edge of the page to the center crease you created with the fold in the previous step. Repeat with the left edge, and unfold. This should leave you with four equal sections.



- Fold the entire sheet in half "hot dog style" by bringing the long edge to the long edge (top to bottom). Unfold. This should leave you with eight equally-sized sections.
- Fold the entire sheet in half "hamburger style" as you did in the first step.
- Cut along the horizontal crease in the center of the page until you reach the vertical crease in the center of the page (halfway across). Unfold.

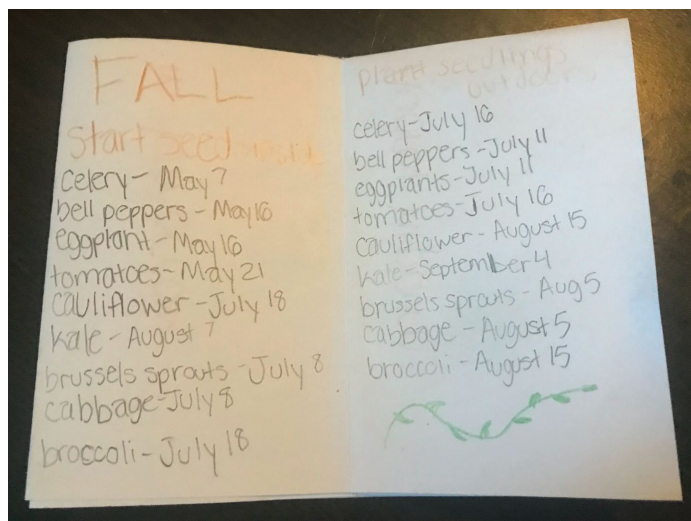
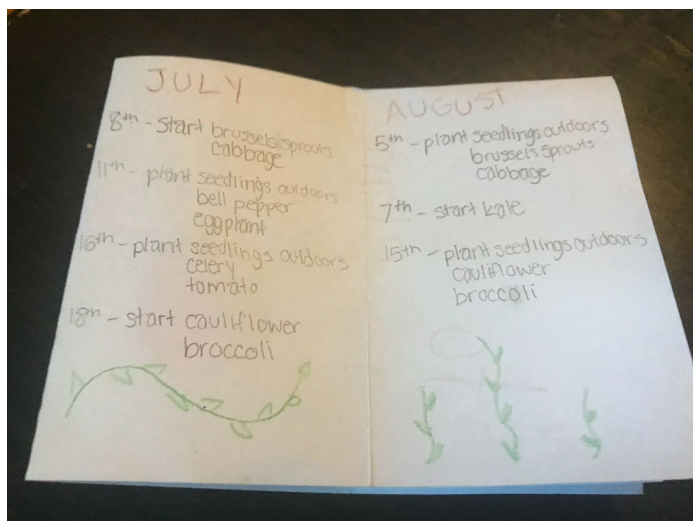


Be careful not to cut all the way across! In order to fold the paper into a zine, you need one sheet with a slit in the middle, not two sheets.

- Fold the sheet in half “hot dog style.” Grab the left and right edges, and push toward the center. The slit you cut in the previous step should cause the center sections to fan out into a + shape.
- Fold the left and bottom points of the + to the right. This will create the spine of your zine. You should now have a small booklet with a front cover, six pages, and a back cover.



- Fill in the pages of your zine. The format is up to you. You can take a look at the example on the next page for some inspiration.
- Because this zine is made from a single sheet of paper, it can also be unfolded into a poster. If you'd like, you can unfold your zine, turn to the other side, and decorate.



This format works well for any topic. What else could you make a zine about?

Explore More

[This online almanac](#) is a great resource for planting calendars and other information about gardening.

What will you learn today?