

# How To: Make Biodegradable Seedling Pots out of Toilet Paper Rolls

Do you want to turn trash into turnips? Garbage into gardenias? Recyclables into radishes? Follow these easy steps to create small biodegradable seedling pots that are the perfect size to place on your windowsill.

**Step 1:** Gather your materials. This project will require empty toilet paper rolls, scissors, soil, and seeds. These pots will work best for small to medium seedlings.



**Step 2:** Fold your toilet paper roll in half one way, and then the other way, to make a square shaped hole.



**Step 3:** Cut your toilet paper roll in half. This will leave you with two pieces.



**Step 4:** Make  $\frac{3}{4}$  to 1 inch slits in each corner of one side of the roll. This will eventually become the bottom of your pot.





**Step 5:** The bottom of the pot will be created by folding each flap as you would do with a cardboard box. Gently fold flap 1 down first, followed by flap 2 and 3. Fold the corner of flap 4 under flap 1 to create a flat, sturdy bottom that will hold the pot together.



**Step 6:** Add potting soil and seeds to your pots.



**Step 7:** Watch your seeds grow into beautiful plants! You will want to reference a seasonal planting chart to determine when to transplant your starts into a bigger pot or directly into the garden.

