

Stems in the City

Today's backyards include townhouse courtyards and apartment balconies, with city dwellers now incorporating green-life into their living space. Using pots means extra colour, portability and practicality in urban dwellings. To make the use of small spaces but still have an enticing outdoor space, use annuals and bulbs which provide high impact for small size.

For this type of stem in the city try "Aloe-Aloe," an aloe which gets lovely orange and red flower spikes. Ideal for city living; they are colourful, sculptural and sustainable.

Pots themselves can be a feature in balcony gardens – this one lights up and can be fitted with various coloured shades to vary the light effect.

Visit your local garden retailer for further suggestions and growing tips.



Think about introducing colour to your balcony or courtyard, with bright pots or colour in the green-life and flowers.



Step 1

Fill up your container about 1/3 of the way to the top with potting soil, then arrange your plants.



Step 2

Top up the soil around the plant, ensuring it is stable and secure. Water well.



Step 3



Step 4

Put a collection of potted plants together for a beautiful courtyard or balcony full of colour and texture. Who said plants are just for people with backyards!

