



Grow Your Own

Strawberries

Plant: April to May

Harvest: 12 weeks from June

Where to plant: Growbags, pots, the ground, hanging basket or strawberry pot in a sunny location

What to sow: Plant

Latest planting time: End of July

Plant three strawberry plants equally spaced in a growbag, or individual plants in 30cm pots filled peat-free, multi-purpose compost. Alternatively, you can buy specially designed strawberry pots (as seen in the picture) or plant directly into the soil in your garden (40cm apart) in a sunny location.

Top tip - If your garden is home to slugs and snails, plant the strawberries in hanging baskets off the ground.

Plants growing in growbags and containers will need weekly plant food after 6 weeks, whereas plants in the ground won't. As the fruit starts to colour, cover the plants with netting to provide protection from birds

Top tip - Plants crop better in the second year and in the ground rather than in containers.

