

## HOW TO WATER WELL

## **POTS & PLANTERS**

**Install water butts** to catch rainwater from roofs. Your plants will prefer this to our limescale-clogged tap water



Mix moisture-retaining gel crystals into the compost to greatly reduce how often you need to water

Have saucers under all your pots to catch any water that drains through – plants will be able to draw it back up through their roots

**Decorative bark chippings** will reduce the amount of watering evaporating from the surface



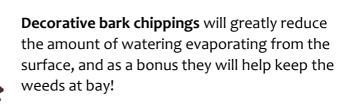


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## **BEDS & BORDERS**

Right plant, right place. Some plants need damp or boggy conditions to thrive, whilst others need a lot of shade to prevent them from wilting. Grow plants that suit the conditions in your garden and they will be able to look after themselves. If you have a very dry soil, pick drought-tolerant plants - for suggestions look at our Dry & Sandy Soils plant list

**Adding mulches,** well-rotted manures or homemade compost will improve moisture retention in the soil





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